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Planning Team Task:

To prepare a district management plan report and three five-year operating plans

(by timber land tenure).

Management Plan Report

The management plan report is a document describing a parcel of forest land (district) to which the plan applies. It sets out the nature and extent of the forest resources contained within the parcel, the problems associated with the attainment of a regulated forest, and the general policies and practices to be employed in the long term for the attainment of a regulated, sustained yield forest. The management plan report is sometimes referred to as a forest ecosystem strategy document.

Five Year Plan Report

A five year plan is a document setting out the areas to be harvested, the location and types of silvicultural treatments to be applied and the location of primary forest access roads to be constructed during the period covered by the plan.

The Newfoundland Forest Service guidelines, for the preparation of Forest Ecosystem Strategy Documents and Five Year Operating Plans, forms the minimum framework of these plans. The guideline requirements are not inclusive and additional plan content should be added as required by the Planning team.

A draft management plan report is to be completed by December 31, 2000. The Corner Brook Pulp and Paper and Abitibi Consolidated five year plans are to be prepared by June 30, 2001 and the Crown five-year plan by September 30, 2001.

Ground Rules:

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The following Ground Rules have been developed to help the Planning Team for District 16 work more efficiently and effectively.

Planning Team Representation

1. The Planning Team will be comprised of groups or individuals who potentially can be impacted by the plans and want to participate in the process. Each defined group will have a consensus member and may have an alternate.
2. Organizations and individuals will declare representation to the District Forester by a date determined by the Planning Team.
3. Alternates will be considered Planning Team members in full standing (meeting attendance, minutes and agenda circulation, interactive participation) except that one and only one representative for a member organization is the consensus giver.
4. Representatives and their alternates are responsible for maintaining continuity between meetings and for information sharing. It will not be the responsibility of the Planning Team to backtrack for previously absent members. All members will review minutes prior to attending a meeting and will comment only on discrepancies that need to be corrected and business arising.
5. Planning Team members agree to attend a minimum of 75% of meetings except when plausible reasons for absence are given.

Principles of Conduct

6. Planning Team members agree to actively listen to each other.
7. Planning Team members agree to be specific and ensure meaningfulness. Use examples.
8. Planning Team members agree to focus on what can be done to remedy/change things. Directing blame and complaining are not features of constructive negotiations.
9. Planning Team members agree to leave the negative baggage from past experiences behind and instead, practice constructive use of past experiences.
10. Planning Team members agree not to disrupt or show inattentiveness by engaging in side conversations in meetings. There will be an opportunity during coffee breaks to discuss specific issues with other members.
11. Planning Team members will show respect for the point of view of others. No one has a monopoly on the truth.
12. Planning Team members agree that enforcing the rules is everyone's responsibility. A member may be called on a violation of the ground rules by any member and it will be through consensus of the Planning Team to resolve the issue. Unwillingness to comply with the ground rules is reason for resignation from the Planning Team.
13. Planning Team members agree to keep the discussion focused and comments "to the point".

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14. Planning Team members agree not to monopolize the discussion. Constant re–focusing on an issue which is deemed tabled or closed, blatant disrespect of other members opinion by disrupting responses, and unsolicited 'lectures' are examples of this point.
15. Planning Team members agree that the meetings will start and end on time. Extensions will only be permitted upon gaining full consensus from members.
16. Planning Team members agree not to be nasty in meetings and that personal attacks of any kind are not permitted. "Hard on ideas, soft on people". nasty: lewd, profane, offensive, mean, distasteful, malicious, spiteful, etc.

Consensus Decision Making Process

There are realities to consider in determining a consensus procedure for District 16. One is a defined time limit (a strategic document by December 31, 2000). Another is the limited authority of the Planning Team.

Legal decision making authority rests with the Provincial Government, and the District 16 Planning Team must accomplish its task within the bounds of existing legislation, regulations and policies. If consensus cannot be reached, the Department, with the legal authority, will make decisions respecting the Plans. Even when consensus is reached, there is a possibility that the Plan may be revised by the Minister of Forest Resources and Agrifoods or the Minister of Environment and Labour. Simply put, this means that:

*the Planning Team has an opportunity to be involved in developing a plan **but**,
should the Planning Team fail, the District Manager develops the Plan.*

The Planning Team makes recommendations toward improving the planning process and the resulting plan. The consensus process for District 16 should reflect these realities.

District 16 Planning Team will follow a 'Gradients of Agreement' consensus process as outlined on Page 14 in Planning Team Participant Handbook. This process will permit a wide range of agreement options and even disagreement. The Planning Team agrees that the plan preparation process shall be based on the following eleven principles of consensus decision making:

Principle #1: Purpose Driven – people need a reason to participate in the process.

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Principle #2: Inclusive not Exclusive – all parties with a significant interest in the issue should be involved in the process.

Principle #3: Voluntary Participation – the parties who are affected or interested participate voluntarily.

Principle #4: Self Design – the parties design the consensus process.

Principle #5: Flexibility – flexibility should be designed into the process.

Principle #6: Equal Opportunity – all parties must have equal access to relevant information and the opportunity to participate effectively throughout the process.

Principle #7: Respect for Diverse Interests – acceptance of the diverse values, interests and knowledge of the parties involved in the consensus process.

Principle #8: Accountability – the parties are accountable both to their constituencies and to the process that they have agreed to establish.

Principle #9: Time Limits – realistic deadlines are necessary throughout the process.

Principle #10: Implementation – commitment to implementation and effective monitoring are essential parts of any agreement.

Principle #11: Personal Attacks – personal attacks will not be tolerated by members of the Planning Team.

Under these principles, the following ground rules have been agreed upon:

17. The Planning Team will try to reach agreement on an issue in a full Planning Team meeting.

18. The Planning Team members agree that if an impasse develops on an issue, we record the issue in a 'parking lot' (permanent flip chart or reserved area in the minutes) and move on. For revisiting the issue, see Ground Rule #19.

19. If the issue is not resolved in the full meeting of the Planning Team, the Planning Team may determine a process to further consider the issue (i.e.: a sub-committee). The resolved decision or disagreement will be brought back to the Planning Team for ratification within a specified time frame.

20. If a sub-committee or working group is established to address certain tasks in an effort to assist the Planning Team, this group must observe the following Ground Rules:

- i) the tasks of any sub-committee/working group shall be made clear by the Planning Team with a Terms of Reference and a defined time frame;
- ii) membership should include at least one representative of the Planning Team; and
- iii) decisions will be made by consensus.

21. If the process chosen in Ground Rule #19 does not resolve the impasse, the District Manager will be asked to make a recommendation as a means of solving the deadlock.
22. Agreement on specific Plan sections are interim pending consensus on the whole Strategy Document and completed Five Year Plans.
23. For the completed Plan, Planning Team members will be able to indicate their consensus agreement on the Gradients of Agreement Scale from Endorsement to Formal Disagreement. Members have a right to write dissenting positions and all such positions will be documented in the final Plan.

Media Relations

24. Use of media by Planning Team members is acceptable if they are representing their own views and not the views of the Planning Team or another stakeholder representative.
25. The Planning Team has a right to bring into question the actions of a member if, by way of the media, there is an intent by this member to disrupt the negotiations of the planning process.
26. As a courtesy, if irreconcilable differences occur and the member feels they can no longer engage, in good faith, in the planning process, they are asked to submit, in writing, their opposition before submitting a release to the media.
27. If required, all representatives of the Planning Team will represent their own positions to the media. If comments are required on the process and framework being utilized by the Planning Team, the facilitator or District Forester may act as a representative of the Planning Team in the absence of a media coordinator for the Planning Team.

Information Requirements

28. The Planning Team will gather the following information necessary to assist them in preparing the Strategy Document and Five Year Operating Plans. The following list should be considered as examples of information available:
 - Current Five Year Operating Plans for FMD 16
 - Protected water supply areas
 - Crown land (Land Use Atlas)
 - Fisheries (scheduled salmon rivers/spawning areas)
 - Mineral exploration/quarries
 - Protected areas (ecological reserves/parks/T-rails)
 - Forest resources/silviculture
 - Historic/archaeological sites
 - Wildlife resources
 - Agriculture development
 - Ski/snowmobile trails
 - Hydro power lines
 - Tourism industry
 - Economic Zone 8 Development Plan
 - Forest ecology

- Others may be added by the Planning Team

The District Forester will be responsible for either collecting this information and/or providing a mechanism for its dissemination.

Administration

The Planning Team adopts the following measures for administrative purposes:

29. The Planning Team will hold one meeting per month at a minimum. Any member can request a meeting of the Planning Team. The agenda will include only that issue for which the meeting was convened.
30. Agendas will be set at the end of the previous meeting. Preparation of the agendas and minutes shall be the responsibility of the Newfoundland Forest Service. The Planning Team meeting agenda will be distributed via e-mail or regular mail at a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the meeting to allow for receipt at least four (4) days prior to meeting (based on a bi-weekly schedule). Those wishing to comment or question items may contact the facilitator prior to the meeting as a matter of courtesy and bring forth their comments at the 'Approval of the Agenda' portion of the meeting.
31. The first draft of the minutes will be distributed via e-mail or regular mail at a maximum of seven (7) days preceding a meeting (based on a bi-weekly schedule). Correction will be made at the 'Approval of the Minutes' portion of the meeting.
32. The Planning Team can waive any time frame established within Ground Rules #29 and 30 at their discretion.
33. The time frame for the meeting shall be tentatively established upon the setting of the agenda and finalized at the approval of the agenda.
34. Planning Team representatives are responsible to ensure that the Newfoundland Forest Service has a current and correct mailing address and phone number (including fax and e-mail if appropriate). The list will be circulated to the Planning Team representatives after October 18, 2000.
35. Planning Team members are responsible to ensure that the Newfoundland Forest Service is advised no later than a day prior to a scheduled meeting if they have not received the appropriate agenda. Representatives shall also advise the Newfoundland Forest Service at least two days in advance if they are unable to attend a meeting.
36. Planning Team members agree to share all relevant information where possible. As a matter of protocol, information will be provided to the facilitator or District Forester one week prior to the meeting, allowing for duplication and distribution to other members of the Team. If information is

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being used without prior review by Planning Team members, the facilitator may table discussion until the next meeting.

37. Private citizens may receive expense compensation for mileage on round trips more than 30km.

38. All meetings will be held in the Town of Hampden, 7:00pm at Hampden Academy School. Any

changes will be made and released by the District Forester prior to the adjournment of the previous meeting.

General

39. The Ground Rules may be revised as deemed appropriate by the Planning Team.

Levels of Agreement

ENDORSEMENT	"I like it"
ENDORSEMENT WITH MINOR POINT OF CONTENTION	"Basically, I like it"
AGREEMENT WITH RESERVATION	"I can live with it"
ABSTAIN	"I have no opinion"
STAND ASIDE	"I don't like this but I don't want to hold up the group"
FORMAL DISAGREEMENT: MAJORITY	"I disagree with it but I will go with the majority"
FORMAL DISAGREEMENT: ABSOLUTION	I disagree strongly and want to be absolved of responsibility for implementation"
OPPOSE	"I would veto this proposal if I could"

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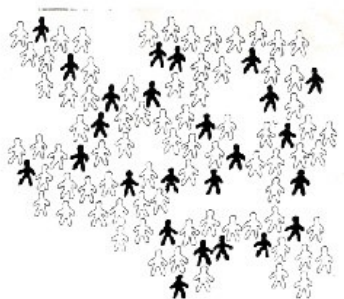
Citizen's Guide to Public Participation in Forest Management

WHY YOU SHOULD READ THIS GUIDE

You can have a say!

If you are interested in how your local forest is managed and would like to make sure that your views are known and considered, then you are invited to become involved in the Province's district ecosystem management planning process. `

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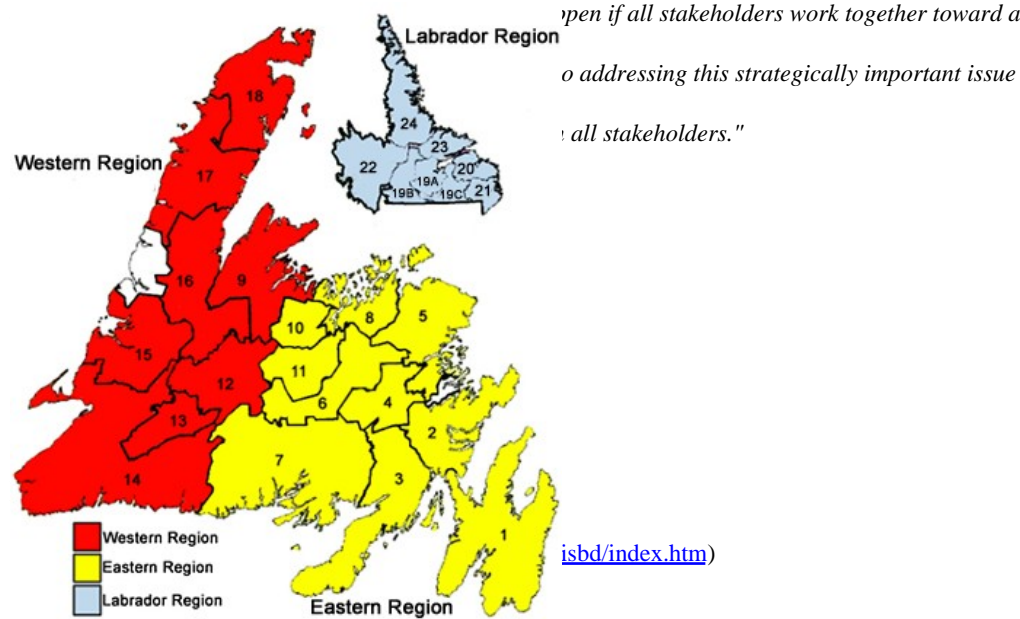


important. Public participation means including and
e in each of the twenty-four management districts.

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preparation of District Ecosystem Strategy Documents and District Five-year Operating Plans is essential to ensure decisions are made with the full consideration of all the values Newfoundlanders and Labradorians hold dear. Read on and find out more about ecosystem management and your role as a citizen.

"In order to ensure the long term future for the forest industry on the Island, it will be necessary to sustain



*open if all stakeholders work together toward a
o addressing this strategically important issue
all stakeholders."*

GROUND RULES

You can help design the process.

You can help design the rules and procedures for your team.

Your first duty as a member of a planning team will be to help develop the ground rules.

Ground rules specify who participates on the planning team and in what capacity.

Ground rules define the administrative structure of the planning team such as meeting schedule, notice of meetings, how meetings will be run, who is responsible for minutes.

Ground rules define what the planning team is to accomplish.

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Ground rules define consensus and when consensus is reached (this can be a partial agreement or an agreement to disagree).

Ground rules identify what to do when consensus is not possible.

Ground rules provide standards of conduct and behaviour.

Ground rules explain confidentiality around information and general discussion.

Ground rules establish who will be responsible for contact with the media.

Ground rules clarify how information is shared among planning team members.

"Have you learned lessons only of those who admired you, and were tender with you and stood aside for you? Have you not learned great lessons from those who braced themselves against you, and disputed the passage with you?"

Walt Whitman

VALUES TO CONSIDER IN FOREST MANAGEMENT

Why is the forest important to you?

Values refer to the reasons why people care about the forests. Living and working in the forest is a way of life for many people in the province, and forests are important to people for lots of reasons. Our forests provide employment for people and communities, provide products for personal use such as firewood and berries, provide timber for domestic and commercial purposes, provide recreational opportunities such as hunting and hiking, provide a home for a variety of plants and animals, provide heritage opportunities to practice traditional and cultural activities, and offer spiritual opportunities such as solitude and wilderness. There are other values too. A good forest management plan is one that recognizes all values, and tries to balance the sometimes competing uses of the forest in a way that accommodates many values.

"The people must take a greater interest in the welfare of the forest. Under our

democratic system it is the privilege of every citizen to participate actively in the program...it is the duty of those familiar with forest values to express public opinion for the guidance of governments."

Canadian Forestry Association

February 1943

MAKING DECISIONS CONSENSUS DECISION MAKING

What is consensus decision making?

In a consensus decision making process the planning team members are committed to finding common ground. Through carefully examining the issues and face-to-face deliberation, the team reaches an agreement that everyone can live with. Consensus means being willing to modify your proposal, your suggestion, what you feel should be done, in order to take into account the opposing views and suggestions of others. Consensus decisions are rarely unanimous, but all those at the table are willing to live with the decisions. It's a cooperative effort to find a workable solution that is acceptable.

"Consensus members agree to act in good faith, to accept the concerns of others as legitimate, to focus on interests and concerns rather than demands and positions, and to refrain from personal attacks."

Ground Rule

Western Newfoundland

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"Because forestry issues affect so many people and groups, appeal to several sets of values, and involve a number of resources, they must be made by a broad consensus."

Claude Godbout

Forestry Issues in Canada

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Do you want to be a member?

You are entitled to be a member of the District Forest Ecosystem Management Planning Team. You have a right to present your views and to be listened to with respect. You can expect an open, fair and well-defined process with generally accepted procedures and deadlines for decisions. You can participate in setting the ground rules under which your team will operate. You can expect to receive information to help you make informed decisions.

The main responsibilities of the planning team members are:

- to foster cooperation among government departments, non-governmental organizations, aboriginal groups, regional economic development boards and the general public in the preparation of an Ecosystem Management Strategy Document and a Five-year Ecosystem Management Operating Document;
- to help identify values, strategies, goals, objectives and indicators to be included in the Strategy Document and implemented in the Operating Plan;
- to communicate with all participants on the planning team and to make every effort to reach consensus;
- to establish reasonable time frames to complete the Strategy Document and the Operating Plan; and
- to support implementation of the Strategy Document and the Operating Plan.

WHAT'S INVOLVED

What will be expected?

The planning process requires commitment and time if you decide to participate on a planning team. You should consider the time and effort involved in participating as a member of a planning team before making a commitment to it. As a member you are expected to:

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- regularly attend and actively participate in meetings of the planning team (generally one meeting per month for eighteen to twenty –four months);
- represent and be responsible for your interests and/or the interest and concerns of your organization;
- participate in workshops and seminars related to the planning process;
- assist in the analysis of information and be part of the decision making process;
- contribute ideas and offer suggestions based on your knowledge and expertise;
- foster improved relationships with other team members and work cooperatively with other team members on developing the plans;
- listen to and respect the viewpoints of other team members who may hold views different from yours;
- be open to learning; and
- support plan implementation and follow–up monitoring.

You will not be expected to write the plan. This is the responsibility of district office staff.

BECOMING INVOLVED

How can you have a say?

There are various ways to become involved in the District Ecosystem Management Planning Process. You can write, fax or call the local Forestry and Wildlife District Office. You can meet with the District Ecosystem Manager. You can invite the District Ecosystem Manager to your community's or organization's meeting. You can submit a brief or position paper to the District Ecosystem Manager or to the Planning Team. You can participate as a member of a District Ecosystem Planning Team.

THE DISTRICT PLANNING TEAM

What is the role of the planning team?

The planning team is made up of individuals who hold various values, interests and concerns regarding the use of the forest in the management district. The purpose of the planning team is to participate with the District Manager in producing an Ecosystem Management Strategy Document and a Five–year Operating Plan. The Department starts the process by contacting the general public, organizations and government departments inviting participation in the planning process. The planning team meets regularly and follows a consensus decision–making (finding common ground) process. Each planning team elects its own chairperson who will complete a one–day training session on facilitation and who will receive a facilitator's kit. The chairperson will lead the planning team in establishing the rules for working together and through the steps to complete the plans.

THE MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROCESS

In what are you being asked to participate?

The Forestry Act requires that the twenty–four management districts in Newfoundland and Labrador each have an Ecosystem Management Strategy Document, a Five–year Ecosystem Management Operating Plan and a current Annual Work Schedule. You are being asked to participate in the development of both the District Strategy Document and the District Five–year Operating Plan. As a participant in this process it is important to remember that legal decision–making authority rests with the Provincial Government, and the Plans must be developed within existing legislation, regulations and policies.

Current Forest Management Planning Process

20 year plan (Province) (Strategy Document)
District 20 year plan which sets out the general goals, objectives and strategies. (Strategy Document)
District 5 year plan which identifies specific activities such as harvesting, silviculture and access road construction . (Operating Plan)
Annual Work Schedule (District)

CHALLENGES AND BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

Will the process be easy?

A good planning process can be difficult at times. There will be conflict. However, difficulties can usually be overcome with good facilitation and clear ground rules for working together. The real challenge is to work with a diverse group to find common ground among people with different and sometimes opposing interests. You'll have to recognize and accept the validity of other viewpoints and be willing to compromise.

As a member of a planning team you'll have an opportunity to work with others on a challenging but satisfying task. You'll talk about issues such as forest access roads, buffer zones, protected areas and special places, wildlife management, logging in protected watersheds, domestic cutting, silviculture treatments, and allocation of resources. You'll bring new issues to the table. You'll make sure that your personal interest or that of your organization is represented at the meeting table. You'll meet new people, learn new things, gain new skills and achieve a sense of accomplishment.

"This apparent conflict necessitates a meeting of minds to establish common ground, identify differences and develop the resolve to reconcile these differences through communication leading to mutual understanding."

Saskatchewan Envirofor 93

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District 16

Planning Team

Meeting #1

Hampden Fire Hall

September 20, 2000

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I Introduction

Mr. Len Moores opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. by welcoming everyone and introduced the Facilitator – Mr. Pat Hann. Mr. Moores stated that the expenditures for the facilitator were cost shared between three groups – Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods; Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited and Abitibi–Consolidated Inc.

II Facilitator

Mr. Pat Hann thanked Len and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Hann explained his role in the planning:

- help the group with the task – everyone working together.
- the processes involved is challenging
- everyone has an opinion and is different from others
- consensus on processes/issues/outcomes.

Time will be spent on consensus during the next couple of meetings. Mr. Hann asked "what rules will govern us?" He stated that tonight we may not get into issues but time will be spent on how we are going to do it.

III Clarifying the Task

Pat asked the audience to state their name, affiliation and what you are doing here. The main points of the group were:

- maintain respect and understand one's opinion.
- if the needs of other resource users are respected.

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- if consideration is given to all values of the forest and to reach consensus.
- if consensus is reached.
- outcomes satisfy the whole province.
- if the planning processes identify the tasks and objectives.
- to develop plan that is environmentally sound and meets the objectives of other stakeholders.
- get a plan that everyone agrees to.
- ecological sound plan.
- true ecosystem base plan.
- stress all values/satisfy all stakeholders.
- all values considered and accountable.
- future wood supply/sawmill and community.
- some compromise/settlement.
- needs of all stakeholders are met.

IIIA. **What is the Task?**

Mr. Bob Diamond asked about the two versions that was stated in the papers:

- forest ecosystem management plan and the preparation of forest ecosystem strategy process and operation plans.

He asked why the different terminology and stated that he would not like to see the operating plans already in place.

Shelly Senior – asked if the AAC was due by the year end.

Kevin Sutton – the department will supply the AAC figures by the end of the year. For all districts.

Shelly Senior – it seems to me that we are starting at the end – with the AAC.

Mr. Hann– talked about the ecosystem plan which consists of:

- - Strategy Plan
- - 5 Year Operating Plan which is to be developed within the current existing legislation, regulations and policies.

Mr. Hann went on with the help of overheads to explain the purpose –

"Through a Multi–stakeholder Group (Planning team) develop a forest ecosystem strategy document and five year operating plan for forest management District 02 within the bounds of existing legislation, regulations and policies. The strategy document and operating plan will promote (support) economic, social and ecosystem sustainability. The planning team will use a consensus process described in these ground rules to develop both documents."

Mr. Hann– explained that although this states District 02 it still mirrors what we are trying to accomplish here for District 16.

Gene Manion – are we doing a strategy plan and not operating plans. Other resource users have 5 year plans but not recognized only forestry.

Len Moores – bring to table.

Pat Hann – we are not asked to do a land use management plan.

Bob Diamond – the forest ecosystem/operating plans for the two paper companies do not include other stakeholders.

Father John McCarthy – the 5 year operating plans are they already in place? Are we to develop 5– year operating plans i.e., wood to cut? Are we to respond to the plans or develop a 5 year plan? Needs to be clarified.

Shelly Senior – agreed.

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Len Moores – bit of both – response to a plan and develop a plan. The department has been working 18 months to get a data base and figure out the AAC. If this group wants to look at this data it can be made available.

Greg Mitchell – if AAC already set, this meeting is mute.

Gene Manion – if this group cannot reach a consensus the District Manager makes the final decision.

Bob Diamond – promote economic viability and not just the paper companies.

John Hannon – what 3 five-year plans are we discussing?

Bruce Nicholl – Corner Brook Pulp and Paper, Abitibi Consolidated and Crown.

Matt Chruchill – the operating plans has to be prepared through the laws and regulations.

- 5-year plans are prepared with the strategy documents.
- other stakeholder are involved
- compromise where possible.

Pat Hann – comments from the group mirror the comments he found in other disticts.

- if you cannot have what is ideal – have input into what you end up with.

Bob Diamond – at the end of the day will we have a forest ecosystem plan or a five year operating plan?

- will sustainability be the end result.

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Pat Hann – will have both.

Len Moores – will maintain the integrity of the forest.

– the 5-year operating plan will concentrate on timber but in conjunction with the strategy plan.

Don Ivany – what is the purpose? Develop a forest ecosystem strategy document to do what?

Pat Hann – whatever the group decides.

Don Ivany – undecided as to what we're to do.

Len Moores – whatever Don Ivany wants the strategy document to do.

Bob Diamond – forest ecosystem management plan – that's what we're here to do before any operating plan.

Don Ivany – under legislation the department is required to do something. What does the Minister have to do?

– what is ecosystem sustainability? – everyone here could have a different answer.

Shelly Senior – we have to develop strategy documents. How long do we have.

Pat Hann – strategy document by the end of December.

Bruce Nicholl – 5-year plan by the end of June 2001 and the Crown plan by September 2001.

Bob Diamond – there were issues ignored in the District 15 plans and only company issues recognized.

Start

Pat Hann – all issues will be brought forward and tabled and will be discussed.

Don Ivany – I've been involved with these types of meetings before and we are here for operating plans only.

Pat Hann – Don, will you be involved?

Don Ivany – yes, but the Minister will make the final decision.

Shelly Senior – he will be deciding not what to cut but where to cut. The harvesting has already been decided.

Pat Hann – can we agree to work on the plan?

– We only have three months and do not have any data.

Len Moores – we have a copy of District 09 strategy plan for viewing.

8:25 p.m. – Coffee Break

8:35 p.m.

Pat Hann – during the break a copy of the table of contents of the ecosystem strategy document was passed around and asked Bruce Nicholl to review.

Bruce Nicholl – discussed the table of contents and if anyone would like a copy of the full document to leave name with Bruce and a copy will be forwarded.

Sean Dolter – how will the AAC be determined for District 16?

Start

Bruce Nicholl – AAC determined from the Foreman model/woodstock model.

- land base added to or taken away depending on the groups decision.

Sean Dolter – there should be a meeting on AAC alone.

Len Moores – it will take a day to present and to contact B. Nicholl if anyone interested.

Greg Mitchell – what act requires an ecosystem management plan.

Len Moores – it is called the sustained yield plan.

Bob Diamond – are there actual action to the plans i.e.,

- protection of areas
- protection of species
- etc.

Some discussion took place as to how the strategy is to be enforced.

Bob Diamond – the plans should be reviewed by Department of Environment like the operating plans.

Pat Hann – can this be done under the current mandate?

Len Moores – we do not have the mandate.

Pat Hann – we will proceed and look at a sample of ground rules.

Don Ivany – not clear as to our goals. We need to understand what we are here to do.

Bob Diamond – agree– what are the processes?

IV **Ground Rules**

Pat Hann – with the help of overheads, Pat discussed the ground rules and asked the group to think about the ground rules before the next meeting. Copies of the ground rules were passed out to each group member.

Items of the ground rules discussed were:

- purpose
- planning teams representation
- consensus decision making
- dealing iwth disagreement
- media relations
- time frame

V. **Field Trip**

Pat Hann – would a field trip be beneficial?

Bruce Nicholl – the group would see and discuss the different sites.

Start

- cutting sites
- buffer zones
- watersheds
- regenerating sites
- planting sites

Gene Manion – what has to be done in the three months that we have.

Bruce Nicholl – strategy plan by December, after that the operating plan.

Gene Manion – I don't think the time frame is long enough.

Pat Hann – In order to resolve the questions one might have we have to think about:

- what is not clear
- what is not there
- what is there that I fear

We have to move forward

? – easier to respond to the "plan" than try to figure out what the plan should be.

Don Ivany – I disagree

Gene Manion – identify the main concerns of the stakeholders and then we would review.

Start

Pat Hann – need to start meeting on time and finish on time.

Gene Manion – how many meetings do we need between now and the end of December and locations.

? – Hampden is central within the District

? – will there be different people if other locations are used or is this the planning team?

Gene Manion – other interested people would like to sit in on meeting if held at different locations.

Norm Osmond – there should be something in place to compensate members if they incur extra expense.

Bob Diamond – communities should be involved with the strategy plan. Community visitation with draft documents should be initiated.

– should be some kind of outreach in place if it's to be democratic.

Next meeting – Deer Lake, October 4th

Gene Manion – how many meetings do we need?

Bruce Nicholl – depends on the issues.

Pat Hann – extra expenditure by managers – the three sponsors will check and report at the next meeting.

– advertise about the next meeting

Start

9:45 p.m. – meeting adjourned.

APPENDICES

I Action Sheet

1.
The three sponsors review budgets and report at the next meeting if monies available to cover extra expenses incurred by planning team members during travelling.
2.
Handouts of Ground Rules to be reviewed by all members for next meeting.
3.
Bruce Nicholl to advertise next meeting and finalize location in Deer Lake.

Member List

Name

Affiliation

Bruce Nicholl	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Faron Knott	CBPPL
Matt Churchill	CBPPL
Bruce A. Roberts	Canadian Forest Service
Greg Mitchell	Citizen
Fr. John McCarthy	Citizen

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Sue Rendell	Citizen
Jeff Anderson	Parks Canada
Kevin Sutton	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Eli Sheppard	Abitibi–Consolidated
George VanDusen	CBPPL
Bob Diamond	Citizen
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Gary Gale	Hampden Economic Development Comm.
Gene Manion	Tourist Operators on Main River Watershed
Don Ivany	Atlantic Salmon Federation
Paul Arnold	WNMF
Pete Mercer	CBPPL
Len Moores	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Chris Curnew	WNMF
John Lannon	Citizen
Shelly Senior	Main River Coalition
Paul Rose	Town Council – Hampden
Royburn Brett	Town Council – Hampden
Norm Osmond	(Mayor) – Town of Hampden
Don Rice	Hampden
Wilfred Jenkins	Hampden
Fred Osmond	Hampden – Burton Cove Logging & Lumbering
Kenneth Randell	Hampden

Start

DISTRICT 16
PLANNING TEAM
MEETING # 3

White Bay South Development Assoc.

Pollard's Point, NF

October 18, 2000

DISTRICT 16 PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Development Association Office

Pollard's Point

October 18, 2000

PRESENT:

See **Appendix 1**

1. Call to Order and Introduction

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Hann asked participants if it would be okay to make the following changes to the agenda:

1. Combine agenda items four and five
2. Item number eight be moved up to item number five

3. Add "Business Arising" as agenda item number four

3. Review of Minutes

Mr. Knott: The minutes said Mr. Don Ivany agreed to erase the tape. He did not agree to erase the tape but did say he would think about it.

4. Business Arising

I. Mr. Hann: Some people have requested information explaining "Annual Allowable Cut".

Mr. Nicholl: A letter has been drafted and forwarded to concerned individuals.

Mr. Hann: Any other individual(s) who would like to receive this information should contact Mr. Nicholl.

II There was a concern raised regarding participation by all interest groups. Efforts have been made to include all parties in the process.

III Ground Rules have been drafted.

IV District 16 overview will be presented by Mr. Nicholl.

V Mr. Nicholl explained the applicable compensation for travel to meetings and said he would attach same to the minutes (**See Appendix 7**).

5. Correspondence – Gene Manion

Mr. Hann: Tabled correspondence (**Appendix 2**)

6. Correspondence – Gary Gale

Ms. Ricketts: Read correspondence from Mr. Gary Gale (**Appendix 2**)

Mr. Hann: This is an open process so there would be no problem with Mr. Gale participating.

Mr. Smith: How will voting work?

Mr. Hann: We will not be using a secret ballot or voting in this process but using consensus.

Mr. Smith: How can consensus be reached when people don't know each other?

Mr. Hann: The process will be explained tonight.

7. Ground Rules

Mr. Dolter: Tabled ground rules (**Appendix 3**) and went through each section for those in attendance.

Planning Team Task:

Mr. McCarthy: Use of the term "regulated" may be a problem.

Mr. Moores: This is a legal definition.

Ground Rules:

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Mr. Sutton: Not everyone was represented this evening.

Mr. Nicholl: Will request participants to supply the name of consensus giver/alternate when meeting invitations/notices are sent out.

Mr. Churhcill: The intent is for all participants to date to be consensus members.

Mr. McCarthy: What happens in the case of individuals who don't have an alternate?

Mr. Dolter: No problem to designate someone.

Mr. Brain: Asked Mr. Nicholl if all potential parties had been contacted.

Mr. Nicholl: A great deal of effort has gone into getting the message out.

Mr. Mercer: Have all applicable Federal and Provincial parties been contacted?

Eg. Federal Environment

Mr. Nicholl: Will double check and sent out invitations if necessary.

Ms. Rendell: What about individuals? Will they carry the same weight as a group or company?

Mr. Hann/

Mr. Moores: All consensus givers/alternates have an equal say.

Mr. Smith: Can the consensus givers and alternates both attend meetings?

Mr. Hann: Yes, however only one will be the consensus giver, the other would be an observer.

Start

Mr. Walsh: Expressed concern that his union was not contacted but found out through the media. Asked if other unions were asked to participate in the process.

Mr. Sutton: Yes

Mr. Walsh: Don't think the NLPA was contacted.

Mr. Hann: If anyone knows of other individuals/groups who should be invited to participate, they should let Mr. Nicholl know.

Mr. Smith: Is it essential to attend 75% of the meetings?

Mr. Dolter: Should make every effort to attend, however if not possible, you should have a good reason.

Principles of Conduct:

Consensus Decision Making Progress

Mr. Hann: Went through the process.

There was some discussion over the "Gradients of Agreement" (**Appendix 4**). Some people thought there should be an option to completely block issues or the plan itself.

Mr. Hann: Agreed, however the reality is, the plan will still go ahead. Individuals can choose to block the plan anyway and substantiate in writing. This could be included in the final document. After further discussion, it was decided to use "oppose" rather than "block".

Media Relations:

Mr. Dolter went through this section.

24. Change "may be permitted" to "is acceptable".

25. After some discussion, it was decided to drop the portion in parenthesis.

Administration:

37. A discussion ensued over the value of taping meetings.

Mr. Hann: Asked the group to identify the advantages and disadvantages of taping meetings.

Advantages:

– Record Keeping

- Putting comments in the proper context

Disadvantages:

- Will slow the process since people will be uncomfortable and this will inhibit participation which deters from the whole concept of the consensus process.
- Things can be taken out of context.
- Can get confusing when a lot of people are talking at the same time.

Mr. Sutton: The legal implications must also be considered.

After further deliberations, the consensus was to remove number 37 from the Ground Rules.

Mr. Smith: Can number 33 be amended to include location?

Mr. Dolter: Yes

Mr. Dolter: Asked if there was consensus on the Ground Rules as amended. There was agreement.

Mr. Brain: At the end of the planning process, will the participants be owners, contributors or authors?

Mr. Hann: People who participated will be recognized as contributors to the planning process.

8. Finalizing Planning Team Representation & Alternates

Mr. Nicholl: Will send participants a form (**Appendix 5**) for completion and return which identifies the consensus giver and alternate.

Mr. Osmond: The group Mr. Gale represents is a committee which is governed by the town of Hampden. Therefore, the town of Hampden will represent the concerns of this committee. However, Mr Gale can still represent himself.

9. Overview of District 16

Mr. Nicholl: Gave a short presentation (**Appendix 6**) on District 16. Explained there was a difference in the land base as a result of recently mapped areas being added.

Mr. Osmond: Will this result in a higher AAC?

Mr. Nicholl: The calculations haven't been completed yet.

Several participants asked what an Eco-region was.

Start

Mr. Nicholl: Asked Mr. Roberts to explain.

Mr. Roberts: Explained that an eco-region was an area characterized by responses to climate as expressed by vegetation, soil, water and fauna.

Mr. Sutton: Asked if 10 million fbm was the total sawmill capacity.

Mr. Nicholl: No – more like 20 million fbm.

Mr. Brain: What is the number and production of small sawmills?

Mr. Nicholl: **Will get a list of mills and total production (Appendix 8).**

Mr. Dolter: What percentage of values are actually mapped?

Mr. Nicholl: 30%

10. Agenda for Next Meeting

1. Mr. Nicholl will prepare and present the **first five sections of the strategy document**.

Mr. McCarthy: Felt uncomfortable about having a strategic document prepared before values have been discussed.

Mr. Churchill: This is just meant to be a framework to start with.

Mr. Moores: The strategy document is meant to be a rolling document which is constantly evolving as new information is presented or as new situations/values arise.

2. There was some discussion over the number of parallel processes currently ongoing in the district. After deliberations, it was decided to have presentations from the following:

- National Parks – **Jeff Anderson** – Connectivity

- Tourism – **Louise Daley** – Heritage River

- Protected Areas

Other Business

Mr. Smith: Expressed concern over the impact private citizens may have, for example If there is enough support to suggest tourism, etc., is more important than forestry operations, is it possible to reduce cutting?

Mr. Churchill: No, however, there is a way to modify cutting practices as was done for Main River Outfitters.

Mr. Smith: Then I don't see what useful purpose we are serving.

Start

Mr. Hann: For future meetings, would it be possible to take five to ten minutes either during or at the conclusion of the meeting, to discuss what is working, what is not and how it can be changed? Perhaps this could be tried every couple of meetings.

Consensus: Okay

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for **November 1, 2000 at Hampden Academy in Hampden at 7:00 pm.**

APPENDIX 1

: PARTICIPANTS

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APPENDIX 2

CORRESPONDENCE FROM GENE MANION

CORRESPONDENCE FROM GARY GALE



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Submitted on behalf of Tourism Operators - Main River Watershed

Mr. Bruce Nicholl,
District Forester,
Dept of Forest Resources & Agrifoods.
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Dear Sirs: Re: Forest Ecosystem Strategy Meetings

As a member of the planning team, I attended the Sept 20th meeting in Hampden. Unfortunately I will be out of the province in October & therefore will arrange another representative of the tourist operators to sit in my place.

However, for the record, I submit our position on the matter to date.

1. "Reasonable Time Frames" cannot be established at this late date to collect all necessary data & diverse input from the various important concerns in this region. Unless all possible scientific data is carefully considered, there cannot be proper decisions made regarding timber harvesting or allowable cut.
2. The focus of these meetings is obviously to acquire consensus on forestry harvesting. This is not developing a strategy for Ecosystem - sustainable management. All of the major concerns for biodiversity, old growth forest, salmonoids, moose & wildlife populations, viewscape, current & future tourism, connectivity of Gros Morne Park, intrinsic values, socio-economic issues, endangered species, etc. must be carefully examined before timber harvesting can be properly addressed.
3. The Newfoundland Government recently issued a public statement assuring that the compromise proposal submitted by the Main River Coalition would be dealt with at these consultations.

4. Until such time as representative areas are set aside to ensure that all these important concerns are met, we request that the Main River watershed be removed from allowable wood harvesting considerations.
5. There are large areas in District 16 that will provide greater social & economic benefit to the public than timber harvesting. There is not sufficient time to gather & examine all pertinent data on such land use matters. Therefore the watershed of Main River must be deleted from harvesting considerations until all the evidence can be attained. To consider a harvesting plan at this time would not be prudent and would not be in line with Ecosystem Management.
6. There is no doubt that further in-depth studies & investigations are required before a comprehensive decision can be made (by this team or the minister) on harvesting this watershed.
7. The EIS of 1986 was found to be very erroneous and lacking by the scientific community. The concerned public of this province cannot allow the forestry department or government to continue in rubber-stamping the desires of one resource user.
8. The main factor in our continuing a viable tourist operation is the retention of a stable moose population in the area. The Upper Humber watershed enjoyed an excellent population of moose until the recent large scale clear-cutting denuded the land of mature tree areas. Most of those animals have left the region and will not likely return for five years or more – awaiting new growth and adequate cover. In the meantime, our camp operators cannot move their facilities to an amended area (while waiting for the moose to return). We cannot afford to have the same eradication take place on the Main River watershed. The Minister of Tourism continues to encourage us to attract "Hi-End Hunters" that provide greater economic benefit. This cannot be accomplished with the influx of wood roads and easy access to the region.

Please read this submission at your next meeting so that our concerns are recorded in the minutes.

Yours truly,



Tourism Operators- Main River Watershed

APPENDIX 3

: **GROUND RULES**

[Ground Rules Document](#)

The final draft of "Accepted Ground Rules" and Citizens Guide to Public Participation in Forest Management is unavailable for this mail out, but they will be available and distributed at the November 1, 2000 meeting.

APPENDIX 4

: **GRADIENTS OF AGREEMENT**

Levels of Agreement

ENDORSEMENT	"I like it"
ENDORSEMENT WITH MINOR POINT OF CONTENTION	"Basically, I like it"
AGREEMENT WITH RESERVATION	"I can live with it"
ABSTAIN	"I have no opinion"

Start

STAND ASIDE	"I don't like this but I don't want to hold up the group"
FORMAL DISAGREEMENT: MAJORITY	"I disagree with it but I will go with the majority"
FORMAL DISAGREEMENT: ABSOLUTION	I disagree strongly and want to be absolved of responsibility for implementation"
OPPOSE	"I would veto this proposal if I could"

APPENDIX 5: FORM: CONSENSUS GIVER/ALTERNATE

PLANNING TEAM MEMBERSHIP FORM

I _____ will be attending the MD 16 Planning Team meetings for the production of Forest Ecosystem Management Plans for MD 16 or consensus giving representative of _____ and my alternate will be _____. As a member of this team I will abide by the ground rules as approved and accepted by the Planning Team.

My
Coordinates Alternate Coordinates

Name

Town/City

Postal Code

Phone #

Fax #

e-mail

APPENDIX 6: DISTRICT 16 OVERVIEW

As a planning team, we are here to develop a **Forest Ecosystem Management Plan for MD 16** which covers a **total land area** of **616,800 ha** of which **445,000 ha** is forested and **227,900 ha** of this is considered productive forest.

Of this **227,900 ha** of productive forest **145,900 ha** makes up the land base used in calculating the **Annual Allowable Cut (AAC)** for the **3** major timber holders in the District.

The current **AAC's** for each timber ownership calculated in the 1996–2000 timber supply analysis is as follows:

CBPP

has a net AAC of **225,000 m³/yr.**

A–Consolidated

has a net AAC of **16,000 m³/yr.**

Crowns

has a net AAC of **10,400 m³ yr.**

For a **total** net AAC of **251,400 m³ /yr.**

However a **new AAC** is currently being re–calculated for the next 5–year analysis period and comes into effect January 1, 2001.

MD 16

is a vast stretch of land encompassing the **forest land base** just discussed, stretching from **Cat Arm** in the North to the **Buchans Plateau** and the **Topsails area** in the south. On the east side much of the District is bordered by **White Bay** and **Gros Morne National Park**, the **Viking Trail**, and **Grand Lake** to the west.

The district includes portions of **3 ecoregions**:

#II Central Newfoundland Ecoregion

- this region is characterized by a more **continental climate** than other parts of Nfld.
- it generally has the **highest summer** temperature and **lowest winter** temperature, however night frost can occur in any summer month.
- **soil moisture deficiencies**
are displayed in the northern part of this region.
- **forest fires**
have played an important role in the natural history of this region.
- topography is rolling and **below 200 m elevation.**

Start

- black spruce, balsam fir, aspen and birch are common.

#IV Northern Peninsula Ecoregion

- this region is characterized by the **shortness** of the vegetation season, **110 – 150 days**.
- it has **lower summer temperature** and **precipitation** levels.
- **Balsam Fir**
is the dominant forest cover except on the higher elevations (**300–400m**) on the **eastern side** of the peninsula where **black spruce** is a natural component of the stands.
- There is **little fire history** in the area.

#VIII Long Range Barrens Ecoregion

- this region occurs **above the treeline**
- trees generally occur as **tuckamore**
- soils are generally very **shallow**
- cork barrens are common

This district generally has a very **low population base** which include **communities** of the **White Bay** area:

Jacksons Arm

Sops Arm

Pollards Point

Hampden

and **communities** in the **Humber Valley** area:

Howley

Deer Lake

Reidville

Cormack

These communities have always **depended on the forest** as a source of livelihood in combination with the sea in the White Bay area and farming in the Humber Valley.

Cutting timber as a source of **building materials and firewood** for **domestic** needs has been, still is, and shall be important to the livelihood of the people living in these communities.

There is approximately **350, domestic, crown cutting permits** issued annually to the people living in MD 16 to try and meet the domestic needs of these residents. Through these permits there is approximately **6500 m³** of crown timber consumed annually plus **another** estimated **2000m³** arising from CBPP and A–Con. limits in birch and residual timber.

Commercial timber harvesting

in the district has also been a very important source of income both in the sawmilling and pulpwood forest.

There is close to **10,000,000 fbm** (45,000 m³) of lumber sawn plus another **240,000 m³** of pulpwood produced annually creating employment opportunity for approximately 250 people.

The **main areas of operation** for Crown permit holders and supplies to the integrated sawmills located at Cormack and Hampden are in **2 sub–licence agreement** areas obtained from CBPP in 1989 and 1991, for 15 year periods.

One area is located behind Cormack in the **Whites River area**. The other is in the Hampden area located at **Chouse Brook** on the eastern side of White Bay. This area is located in MD 09 but administered by MD 16.

Approximately **85% of the timber lands are licenced** to the 2 pulp and paper companies while the remainder is crown.

CBPP

hold **99 year timber licences** that **expire in 2037**. Through these licences they are responsible for the management and harvesting of timber subject to the various acts and regulations that govern forestry operations.

These timber licences in MD 16 are integral part of the timber supply for the Corner Brook mill **supplying** approximately **24% of their annual timber** consumption. This timber is **cut from** approximately **2200 ha of timber lands** annually which regenerate to balsam fir for the most part.

CBPP conducted harvesting operations in MD 16 on a continued basis until 1967 when there was **large salvage operations** initiated for insect damaged timber elsewhere. In the mid **1980's plans** were made to **return** to MD 16.

When they returned to harvest timber in the **Upper Humber Main River area** their plans were required to go through an **EIS** which was approved by the Dept. of Environment.

Through this process there was a **reserve** established **along the Main River** to afford protection of the ecological integrity of the river, wildlife habitat, and the uniqueness of the meadows, forest and wetlands in the area.

In 1980 **A–Con** were issued **20 year timber licence** in MD 16 in the White Bay, Sheffield Lake and Chain Lake areas. From these licenced areas **A–Con harvested approximately 16,000m³** annually to supply wood to their Stephenville mill and historic sawmillers that were on these lands previous to the licences being issued.

These licences have been just renewed for another 5–year term by the company as was the option given them in the original agreement.

In developing plans for MD 16 **not only** is the harvesting of timber **the only value** that has to be considered, but there are **other values** that have to be taken into consideration and the way harvesting is conducted.

Values to be considered

in MD 16 other than timber consumption:

1. Water quality and fish habitat.

2. Wildlife habitat

- Big game – moose and caribou
- Small game – hares, grouse, ptarmigan
- Furbearers
- Non-commercial species
- Waterfowl

1. Special Areas

- Main River Heritage River
- Wildlife sensitive areas
- Recreation areas and trails
- Parks and reserves

4. Cottage Development Areas & Individual Cottage Sites

5. Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species

- Pine Marten
- Red & white pine
- Raptors
-

6. Outfitting Camps & Resorts

- Hunting and fishing camps
- Non consumptive resorts
-

7. Viewscapes

- Coastline

- River valleys

5. Other Resource Values

- Agriculture
- Mines and energy

6. Hunting & Fishing Areas

From these value classes there are **value maps** that have to be produced showing the location of various values and infrastructures put in place to maintain the quality of these values. From these value maps a greater appreciation of the values can be obtained and ensure decisions are made with consideration of these values.

Value Map Outline

(More than one value or combination of values may appear on any one given map.)

- Cottage development areas
- Cottages and cabins outside development areas
- ATV trails
- Snowmobile trails
- Other recreation trails
- Municipal boundaries
- Protected water supply areas
- Major water course watershed areas
- Scheduled salmon rivers
- Salmon spawning & rearing areas
- Moose management areas
- Caribou management areas
- Raptor nest sites
- Pine Marten study areas

Start

- Pine Marten capture areas
- Caribou calving, post calving and wintering areas and migration routes
- Hunting and fishing lodges and non–consumptive resorts
- Parks reserves, protected areas, and trailways
- Eastern Joint Venture Waterfowl Habitat (Birchy Basin)
- Waterfowl nesting and staging areas
- Red Pine stands
- Agriculture areas
- Mineral, quarry and oil exploration sites
- Altered wildlife cutting regime areas
- Pine Marten modified harvesting area (Main River)
- Main River Landscape Design area (Main River)
- Beaver traplines
- Agriculture areas
- Hydro dams & reservoirs

APPENDIX 7

TO: Planning Team Participants

FR: Bruce Nicholl

Compensation for mileage will be for participants who travel in excess of 30 km round trip and are not compensated by their constituent organization or agency.

Only participants from the Western Region would be compensated and all efforts should be made to car pool and only the

owner/operator of the vehicle will be compensated.

Compensation would be for mileage at the current Provincial Government rates of .25 cents per km.

Compensation travel forms will be made available from the secretary.

APPENDIX 8

ANNUAL REPORT 1998–99

Table A and Table B show the production in various classes over the last five years while

Table C

outlines the number of mills in each class.

Table D

illustrates the Crown production as compared with the production from private lands.

TABLE A

: 5 –YEAR SAWMILL PRODUCTION BY PRODUCTION CLASS (PRODUCTION –m³)

Fiscal Year	0–23.5	23.59–58.5	58.59–117.1	117.12.90–176.8	176.82.90–233.5	233.586–1179.24	1179.24 +	TOTAL
1998–99	168.00	161.00	376.00	290.00	224.00	922.00	23,362.00	23,362.00
1997–98	155.00	344.00	389.00	335.00	564.00	3387.00	19,124.00	19,124.00

Start

1996-97	140.00	265.00	387.00	269.00	394.00	4219.00	13,013.00	13,013.00
1995-96	267.00	310.00	757.00	133.00	0	4136.00	7,798.00	7,798.00
1994-95	170.00	299.00	617.00	396.00	1509.00	6466.00	9,457.00	9,457.00

TABLE B

: 5-YEAR SAWMILL PRODUCTION BY PRODUCTION CLASS (PRODUCTION fbm)

Fiscal Year	0-10,000	10,001-25,000	25,001-50,000	50,001-75,000	75,001-100,000	100,001-500,000	500,000 +	TOTAL
1998-99	71,238	68,216	159,544	123,000	95,000	390,807	8,997,511	9,905,323
1997-98	865,801	145,935	165,000	142,000	239,253	1,436,371	5,915,858	8,110,219
1996-97	59,514	112,580	164,250	114,000	167,000	1,788,928	3,111,626	5,517,898
1995-96	113,447	131,705	321,650	56,676	0	1,757,831	932,677	3,313,986
1994-95	72,215	127,056	261,646	168,000	640,193	2,742,110	0	4,011,220

TABLE C

: NUMBER OF MILLS BY PRODUCTION CLASS M3

Fiscal Year	*0 — 23.58	23.59 — 58.96	58.97 — 117.89	117.90–176.18	176.19–235.85	235.86–1179.24	1179.24 +	TOTAL
1998–99	27	4	4	2	1	2	2	42
1997–98	31	8	4	2	3	7	2	57
1996–97	27	7	5	2	2	8	1	52
1995–96	33	7	8	1	0	8	1	58
1994–95	24	8	7	3	7	9	0	58

NOTE: 11 Mills did not operate in 1998.

TABLE D

: 5-YEAR SAWMILL PRODUCTION FROM CROWN & PRIVATE LANDS PRODUCTION –fbm³

YEAR	CROWN	PRIVATE	TOTAL
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Start

1998–99	5,198,019 12,259	4,707,304 11,102	9,905,323 23,362
1997–98	3,403,255 8,025	4,706,964 11,099	8,110,219 19,124
1996–97	3,611,288 8,521	1,906,610 4,499	5,517,898 13,020
1995–96	2,396,242 5,638	917,744 2,159	3,313,986 7,797
1994–95	2,535,163 5,983	1,470,057 3,469	4,005,220 9,452

Start

DISTRICT 16 PLANNING TEAM

MEETING # 4

HAMPDEN ACADEMY

HAMPDEN

NOVEMBER 1, 2000

Action Items

PRESENT: See Appendix I

1. Call to Order and Introduction

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by those in attendance.

3. Review of Minutes

Mr. Smith pointed out an error under **6. Correspondence – Gary Gale** on page 3 as follows: Replace " How will voting work" with "How will *consensus* work".

Otherwise the minutes were accepted as generally representing the contents of the . meeting.

4. Business Arising

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Correspondence

Mr. Hann: Asked Mr. Nicholl if there was any new correspondence.

Mr. Nicholl: No

6. Presentations

Heritage River Proposal for Main River – Louise Daley

Ms. Louise Daley, Natural Heritage Rivers Planner, with the Provincial Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation gave a presentation on the Heritage River Proposal for Main River(Appendix II).

Discussions/Questions

Mr. Hann: Do you have to recycle through the whole process to reactivate the proposal submission to the Canadian Heritage River Board?

Ms. Daley: No, because the proposal is still active. We have simply requested an extension to our time frame for submission of the management plan .

Mr. Walsh: What area is actually being considered?

Ms. Daley: Showed the boundary as approved by Cabinet. Pointed out however, that activities ongoing/proposed outside of this boundary must also be studied with respect to the potential impacts they may have on values inside the boundary. Example: Value– Viewshed Integrity. Inherent with the criteria for this value is that someone canoeing down the river should have a pristine view of the natural area in its undisturbed condition. The question must then be asked: "Would this remain if cutting proceeds outside the boundary?"

Mr. Wells: Are there other rivers with heritage status which have activities such as logging ongoing adjacent to the river?

Ms. Daley: Not in the case of rivers like the Main River , because by definition rivers nominated primarily for their natural values must remain in their natural condition in order to maintain heritage status.

Mr. Smith: Is appearance the only value considered?

Ms. Daley: No. All natural values are considered such as moose, fish habitat, ducks, etc.

Mr. Smith: If the river gets designation, what happens then?

Ms. Daley: After ten years, it is reevaluated and the designation reversed if the values have not been maintained..

Mr. Smith: There are 52 tributaries running into this river. Will there be buffers on all of them?

Ms. Daley: Adequate buffers must be ensured and maintained. As a part of the process, before the proposed plan could be submitted, all agencies were asked to identify the requirements for maintaining the integrity of the value(s) they manage.

Mr. Smith: What if these requirements are inadequate?

Ms. Daley: The plan may not get approval.

Ms. Rendell: Did the Wilderness and Ecological Reserves Advisory Council (WERAC) propose the boundary?

Ms. Daley: No. It is not the original boundary proposed by WERAC for emergency ecological reserve.

Ms. Rendell: Who scaled it down?

Ms. Daley: Through the Cabinet process the boundary was reduced to balance the ecological and economic considerations related to forest harvesting.

Mr. McCarthy: In the original submission, was wilderness included as a value?

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Ms. Daley: Yes the wilderness setting was considered but the area was not suggested as a full wilderness reserve. The request by WERAC was for an emergency ecological reserve.

Mr. McCarthy: There is an existing road near Four Ponds on the north side of the river which is clearly visible from the river. Also, there is another road proposed for construction near the river as identified in the existing Corner Brook Pulp & Paper Five Year Operating Plan. How will these roads impact the wilderness value?

Mr. VanDusen: The proposed road is not going to be built now.

Mr. McCarthy: Then could the boundary be changed?

Ms. Daley: Pursuing a stewardship agreement for the purpose of decommissioning roads, establishing buffer zones, etc. outside of the cabinet approved boundary.

Ms. Daley: Recently, a concern has been raised that the existing boundary may not satisfy the viewshed value criteria. In an initial attempt to map out the viewshed limits Parks and Natural Areas drew lines on a map linking the highest points of land on both sides of the river for consideration. Many of these points were then field checked for accuracy.

Mr. Sutton: When will the heritage river status be decided?

Ms. Daley: A meeting of the CHR Board is scheduled for late January and we plan to submit our proposal at that time..

Mr. McCarthy: Is the boundary you presented(Appendix2, Slide–) the one which will be proposed?

Ms. Daley: Not certain. The boundary may need to be adjusted so that a legal boundary description can be undertaken. Some portions of the boundary follow stands and need to be straightened slightly.

Mr. McCarthy: So the existing road which parallels the river; will it be an issue?

Ms. Daley: Roads are currently being reviewed for the purpose of decommissioning increased access to the river corridor.

Mr. McCarthy: Next year's harvesting plan proposes to construct a road to the edge of the river to log the wood.

Mr. VanDusen: This was proposed in the 1996 plan. Will it be in the 2001 plan? No.

Mr. McCarthy: I'm getting the impression if things go wrong with the proposed plan, that the Main River is not all that big of a concern.

Ms. Daley: No. There is a huge commitment from our Department to see the Main River designated as a heritage river . It has been a priority for our Department at an executive level.

Mr. Smith: So the only important issue is the view scape?

Ms. Daley: No, as I indicated earlier, all of the natural and recreational values for which the river was nominated are important and we have asked the various agencies responsible (DFO, CWS, HNL, Dept. FRA) to participate and provide advice.

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Mr. Smith: What exactly was the question they were asked?

Ms. Daley: What should the buffers be?

Ms. Rendell: Concerns have been raised over the accuracy of the information submitted.

Ms. Daley: Going with the best available information. Unfortunately, our Department doesn't have the jurisdiction over all activities/values occurring in the watershed. We have to rely on the scientific experts at DFO, CWS and Wildlife Division.

Mr. Smith: If after ten years, the river has deteriorated, what happens?

Ms. Daley: Could lose designation.

Mr. Smith: Has there been logging elsewhere to cut only strips and then evaluate what happens over time? It'll be too late once everything is cut only to find out there are adverse results from cutting everything.

Ms. Daley: No. We specifically asked DFO if there were models in which you could enter all information relating to hydrology within a particular watershed, (ie. geology, soils, vegetative cover, slope, annual rainfall and snowfall, etc;) and then determine how cutting would affect river quality in terms of siltation for instance. Their answer was: "No, these models don't exist. We have to rely on field experiments to do these tests and models."

Mr. Dolter: There has been a study completed in the Copper Lakes area; the results of which people may not like. We shouldn't always try to bring out the negative aspects. Need time for the process to unfold.

Mr. Smith: Not trying to be negative. Just trying to understand.

Mr. Churchill: The buffers on this river are much more substantial than what have been used in the past for other major rivers such as the Gander, Humber and Exploits.

Mr. VanDusen: Added that the Shellburn River in Nova Scotia, which is similar to the Main River, is a heritage river which runs through 35% of privately owned lands. The forest company who owns the land has agreed to expand the existing thirty metre buffers to 150 metres in its modified harvesting plans.

Mr. McCarthy: Was the Main River proposed based on the Wilderness value?

Ms. Daley: No its wilderness setting was considered but it was acknowledged in the nomination document that harvesting was planned in the watershed and it was never suggested that this area would not be subjected to forest harvesting.

Mr. Sheppard: Is there a possibility the river could still be approved given the fact there are many other ongoing processes which have stringent approval requirements?

Ms. Daley: We realized that the question of viewsapes needed to be addressed and how the proposed cutting in the 1996 five year plan could impact on this value.

Ms. Rendell: Is there an area designated to protect old growth?

Ms. Daley: Not yet. However, our Department plans to appoint a committee to identify the best place to preserve a representative example of old growth forest as part of our natural areas system planning process.

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One important criterion is identifying a pristine undisturbed watershed.

Ms. Rendell: With the Heritage River, connectivity opportunities with Gros Morne National Park, pine martin concerns, etc, this area would seem to present an excellent opportunity to protect a multitude of values.

Ms. Daley: Connectivity is a value that Gros Morne must bring forward and address. It is beyond our heritage river planning process.

Mr. Smith: Is there a reason why there is no history of insect infestations on the eastern side of the northern peninsula?

Mr. McCarthy: It is probably related to climate since there are insects on the west side of the peninsula.

Mr. Gale: What about fire?

Mr. McCarthy: Again climate plays a major role as well as human intervention.

Mr. Hann: How do you see this process impacting the District 16 planning process?

Ms. Daley: The 5 year planning process must be kept informed of what's going on in the heritage river planning process to ensure that the 5 year plan reflects those commitments. As well the District 16 process will have to address many of the broader concerns/values that were raised in the heritage river planning process.

Mr. Hann: Then should the District 16 process ignore these similar concerns/values since the Heritage River process is a legal one?

Ms. Daley: No because the District 16 process will continue to deal with these same issues/values. This 5 year plan will need to be registered as part of the Environmental Assessment Process so these concerns will need to be addressed in the plan.

L. Daley tabled copies of the Natural Areas Strategy document which was released last week. This document explains the steps in the natural areas system plan process, its objectives and explains what exactly an ecoregion is.

Mr. Hann thanked Ms. Daley for giving such an extremely informative and interesting presentation and congratulated her on a job well done.

7. Draft Outline of Strategy Plan

Mr. Nicholl: Circulated the first draft of the strategy document with comments as follows:

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Pointed out that this was a very rough, preliminary draft.

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The values on pages four and five may not be exact.

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Explained the difference between "Productive" and "Production" forest and gave these definitions:

Productive Forest – that area of forest having a minimum of 60m³/ha. (page 10, Table 2 (a))

Production Forest – that area of forest which is used for determining the Annual Allowable Cut (AAC). (page 10, Table 2 (b))

The difference in values between these two tables is referred to as the alienated forest (page 11, Table 2 (c)). Alienated forest refers to that area of productive forest which is not available for harvest and therefore cannot be used in AAC calculations. An example would be areas of forest located on steep slopes.

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Will have maps in the next draft.

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Would like feedback on what should be include and what should be taken out.

Mr. Hann: What exactly would you like from the Panning Team members?

Mr. Nicholl: Any values, recommendations, objectives that anyone has.

After further discussion, Mr. Hann and Mr. Moores suggested the following:

i) Team members should consider three questions:

a) What is not clear?

b) What is not there?

c) What do I fear?

ii) Team members should consider all three questions for each chapter of the document.

iii) Team members should share/discuss their thoughts/ideas amongst other members rather than simply send to Mr. Nicholl.

iv) Team members should send there comments to Mr. Nicholl by November 10th

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Mr. McCarthy: Will be away. Can I send comments to Mr. Nicholl and a hardcopy to the other Team members.

Mr. Hann: Yes

8. Other Business

A. AAC Presentation

Mr. Hann: How did it go?

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Mr. Nicholl: Good. Mr. Darrell Harris, Section Head Management Planning, gave an excellent presentation at an easily understandable level.

Mr. McCarthy: Found that a spatial analysis will be great for showing the harvest dispersed across the landscape.

Ms. Daley: What is the difference between a spatial and non-spatial analysis?

Mr. McCarthy: The current analysis does not take into account the geographic location of forest stands of the same age on the landscape but assumes they are in one big group. In reality this is not the case since you could have many fragmented stands dispersed over the entire landscape which because of their size and geographic locations may not be economical to harvest.

B. Consensus Team Members

Mr. Hann: What is the status of the team?

Mr. Nicholl: Letter has been sent out asking individuals/agencies to identify the consensus giver and the alternate. The responses are trickling in.

Mr. Hann: Would like to bring closure to this matter.

Mr. Nicholl: Would like to bring closure to this matter before the next meeting.

Mr. Hann: Asked everyone in attendance who had not already filled in the form to take the time to complete and pass along to Mr. Frampton.

Mr. Dolter: Expressed concern that he couldn't realistically be a consensus giver since the Model Forest was comprised of many partners, several of which who were participating in this process. Consequently, giving consensus could be in direct conflict with one of the Model Forest partners. Said he would still like to stay on the Planning team anyway.

Mr. Hann: Asked Mr. Nicholl to send one more memo requesting everyone to identify participants before the next meeting.

C. Field Trip

Mr. Hann: Asked the group if there was still interest in holding a field trip to view the District.

Consensus: No

D. Inclement Weather

Mr. Hann: Asked how would be best to notify the group in the event a meeting had to be canceled due to inclement weather.

Two issues were raised: i) who should replace Mr. Hann if he is unable to attend.

ii) who's decision is it to cancel the meeting

After discussion, the following was decided in the event of meeting cancellations:

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Mr. Hann will have to identify a suitable replacement for Facilitator

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Mr. Nicholl will be responsible for decisions regarding meeting cancellations and will advise members of cancellations by no later than noon on meeting day.

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Mr. Nicholl will designate area contacts who will be responsible for advising members in their respective areas that the meeting is canceled. He will also ensure his Secretary is aware of any such cancellations.

E. Information Session

Mr. Dolter: Would like to have the information session in November.

Mr. Nichol: Need the group to decide on the content/topics they would like to see included.

Consensus: After discussion, it was decided that everyone should identify their information needs and fax to Mr. Dolter by November 10th. People can use #28 of the Ground Rules as a guide.

Tentative date for the seminar is November 25th at the school in Hampden.

9. Agenda for Next meeting

Topics for the next meeting will be:

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Connectivity of Gros Morne National Park – Mr. Jeff Anderson

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Planning Team Finalized

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Revised Strategy Document

10 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Appendix I

Meeting Participants

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NAME	REPRESENTING	E-MAIL/MAILING ADD.
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Appendix II

Heritage River Proposal for Main River – Louise Daley

Start

District 16 Planning Team

Meeting # 5

Hampden Academy

Hampden

November 15, 2000

In Attendance: (see Appendix 1)

1. Call to order and introductions

At 7:00 pm Mr. Hann asked the group if they would like to wait a few more minutes before getting started because everyone wasn't seated. The group agreed.

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. He then explained that there was attendance sheet that he would like everyone to sign and passed it around.

2. Approval of agenda

Mr. Hann asked the group to review the items on the agenda and asked if it was ok. Nobody had any concerns.

3. Review the minutes

Mr. Anderson said that he wanted to point out that nowhere in any of the minutes was it explained whether the strategic plan would have to be registered with the Dept. of Environment. Mr. Brain explained that the strategic document doesn't have to be registered but the 5-year plan does.

4. & 5. Business Arising/Correspondence

Mr. Hann said that at the end of the meeting he will pass out comments Father John McCarthy has prepared on the draft plan.

6. Finalize Planning Team Consensus Members & Alternates

Mr. Nicholl said that he had a list of people as representatives and alternates and that he is passing it around and people should check to see if the info is correct or if they would like to add their name. Mr Nicholl explained that he is currently sending out 70 sets of minutes and that in the future he will only be sending them only to those who are on the planning team or who specifically request them.

Dr. Brain asked if Mr. Ivany was still on the team. Mr. Nicholl replied that he hadn't heard from him.

Mr. Hann said people have been asked 2 or 3 times if they want to be a representative and that as of tonight the consensus giving list would be **finalized**. It was noted that Fred Osmond should be added and that Roger Keough would be Mr. Jennings alternate.

7. Finalize Information Session

Mr. Smith said that his understanding was that the sessions would provide relevant info so that we can make good decisions.

Mr. Arnold said that he was passing around recommendations from 5 people regarding what they would like to have information on. He noted that on this list Mr. Anderson had been identified as a presenter however, because he was giving a presentation tonight to the group, there wouldn't be any need to repeat it again. Mr. Arnold also stated that none of presenters have been contacted. He said that he first wanted to present this draft agenda to the group and see how they feel about it.

Mr. Hann suggested that there should be time for questions and comments at the end of the day.

Start

Mr. Brain pointed out that it should read Eli Sheppard (not Biship) on the agenda.

Mr. Bell (representing Dept of Agriculture) pointed out that unless it is another Ian Bell being referred to on the agenda then he would not be presenting on wildlife because it is not his area.

At this time, Mr. Diamond and Mr. Mitchell joined the meeting

Mr. Smith asked if anyone can give us a presentation on the state of the forests in Nfld. Where do we stand?

Mr. Hann said that you may to get a number of people to address this because their is different perspectives depending on the forest value.

Mr. Brain said Len Moores (DFRA) should be able to address this issue.

Mr. Smith said that he is here because he has seen a number of resources go down hill and doesn't want to see the forests go to.

Mr. Diamond said that he agreed because the ad he saw in the newspaper for this planning team stated that it was to be an Ecosystem Management Plan. He said we need all relevant info before we can begin reviewing the harvesting plan. He said that he sees this as a way to facilitate harvesting plans for the paper companies.

Mr. Hann said that the group has already decided a couple of meetings ago what the purpose was and that it has been generally accepted.

Mr. Diamond said that the last meeting it was said that this was a way of facilitating the paper companies (Mr. Ivany in fact has it on tape).

Mr. Hann said that was the second meeting and we are now into our fifth meeting.

Start

Mr. Norm Osmond said we are now regressing on the ground rules.

Mr. Hann said that the item on the agenda was to finalize the information sessions.

Mr. Smith said he finds it hard to believe that nobody can give an overview of the state of our forests.

Mr. Brain said that Len Moores or Darrell Harris (DFRA) should be able to do this.

Mr. Smith said he didn't know either of them and asked if they were unbiased.

Mr. Brain said they both worked with the DFRA.

Mr. Smith said that we wanted a provincial perspective (not just District 16).

Mr Diamond said that he can't see how we can get a plan together in a couple of month– if it is to be a Forest Ecosystem Management Plan. He said it should take at least a year to put together all the values. He said that someone should clarify to the media what this particular group is doing.

He said that this will be his last night here but he wants the group to clarify with the media that this is a way to facilitate 3 harvesting plans.

Mr. Hann said consider it tabled and that the group will address it at an appropriate time.

Mr. Diamond said that he looks around the table and sees that the people who are here are being paid to be here.

Mr. Brain said he doesn't get paid any extra by coming here, his salary is the same.

Start

Mr. Diamond remarked that the loggers were being paid by CBPPL to be here.

Mr. Fred Osmond said that he has created his own job and don't say that he is being paid to be here.

Mr. Rose said that he had to leave his kids home and come out to meeting and he isn't being paid to here.

Mr. Randell said that he is a logger and he has a family to feed.

Mr. Diamond said that there might be a few here (who are not getting paid to be here) but most are (being paid).

Mr. Hann said that it was agreed in the ground rules that nobody is to be labelled.

He said it is not right to label peoples motives.

Mr. Hann said tonight we have an agenda and have to finalize the info session.

Mr. Smith said that he would like someone to give a presentation on the state of the forests in Nfld. Where do we stand? He asked if Darrell Harris would be unbiased?

It was explained that Darrell was a government employee. Mr. Smith asked Bruce to write down to have him (Darrell Harris) come and give a presentation.

Mr. Anderson said that although he is giving a presentation tonight, there is still the issue of fragmentation and connectivity that should be addressed by Steve Flemming.

He said that a marten biologist, either Brian Hearn or Dan Harrison, should give a presentation to the group.

Mr. Nicholl suggested Joe Brazil (Endangered Species Biologist – DFRA) because he has been working with marten for years and is pretty straight forward.

Start

Mr. Anderson said he asked around about who is the best person to speak on pine marten and he has heard that it was Dan Harrison.

Mr. Nicholl said that if we bring people in it would not be a 15 minute presentation, it would be too much for one day.

Mr. Brain pointed out that all Dan Harrison's research has been carried out in Maine.

Ms. Soper agreed and said, although there would be some similarities, there are differences in the Maine and the Newfoundland situation.

Mr. Nicholl asked Mr. Roberts if he could present in 1–1/2 hours his subject.

Mr. Roberts said he could cover off some things in that time.

Mr. Norm Osmond said that he is interested in getting info on the pine marten.

Ms. Soper explained that there was an international conference held in Corner Brook this summer – Martes 2000. She said researchers from around the world attended the conference and presented their latest research finding on marten and fisher. She said Dan Harrison and Brian Hearn were both at the conference and gave presentations. She said Joe Brazil attended all of this conference and should be well versed on the latest research on marten.

Mr. Diamond suggested a workshop on the economic importance of the forests – ecotourism and other uses. He said there is no study going on in District 16 which is unique and no research on maximizing employment and this is something that can't be done in 2–3 weeks.

Mr. Hann said this would be primary research and this group don't have the mandate to do it. He said to Mr. Diamond that this (process) isn't what he wants it to be.

Mr. Nicholl asked Mr. Chaisson if Dave Jennings (Outfitters Assoc.) could address this. Mr. Chaisson said that he would check with Dave.

Start

Mr. Diamond said the group might be able to get an unbiased forest economist maybe through Forestry Canada.

Mr. Bell said that he looked at Louise Daley's talk and that he noted that there would be areas of old growth forest left (in the Heritage River Plan) and that it might be interesting to see these areas (on a map).

Ms. Randell said that it is important to have someone from the Protected Areas Assoc. give a presentation.

Mr. Mitchell said that it is important that the recovery plan be reviewed so that people can understand what it contains.

Mr. Brain said that it is now being revised and that it isn't finished yet. He said there isn't a lot of point in reviewing the earlier plan because it is being completely revised.

The team agreed to go with November 25, 2000 for the workshop in Hampden.

Mr. Arnold said that there are now 5 topics:

1. Overview – Darrell Harris and/or Len Moores
2. Pine marten – Joe Brazil
3. Economics – Sue Randell, Dave Jennings, and a Forest Economist
4. Protected Areas – Laura Jackson
5. Fragmentation and Connectivity – Steve Flemming

Mr. Hann asked now how is this going to happen?

Mr. Arnold said that he would contact the speakers and then himself, Sean Dolter (WNMF), and Bruce Nicholl will draft the new agenda and get it out.

Start

Mr. Hicks asked if the workshop could be held in a more central location such as Deer Lake.

Mr. Nicholl said that it was agreed upon that the meetings would be held in Hampden and that couldn't be changed unless there was a consensus.

Mr. Mitchell said that he would prefer Deer Lake.

Mr. Norm Osmond said that it was agreed that the meetings would be held in Hampden and that is where he wanted them to stay. He said that if we change one ground rule then it might be just as well to change them all.

Mr. Hicks asked if we could have a vote.

Mr. Hann said it was agreed in the ground rules that the meeting place would be Hampden and that to change it there would have to be a consensus and that means everyone would have to agree to it.

Mr. Hann suggested taking a break and he said that he would hand out Father John McCarthy's comments. He said that we will be able to finish on time tonight because doesn't need the time indicated on the agenda.

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Break: 8:20 pm

8.

Presentation

The meeting resumed at 8:40 pm and Jeff Anderson, GMNP, spoke about Connectivity in GMNP (See Appendix 2).

9. Draft of Strategy Plan

Mr. Nicholl said that he will have more done on the draft for the Nov. 29th meeting. Following the presentation Mr. Nicholl handed out a map showing the age class distribution in District 16.

Mr. Gale asked about the Abitibi leases northwest of Hampden. He said that it was his understanding that these would be revert back to Crown.

Mr. Brain said that they have now been renewed to Abibiti. He said he didn't know the details about it but he would check into it and get back to Mr. Gale.

Mr. Smith suggested that a map showing where cutting has taken place in District 16 be put up on the wall somewhere at the meetings.

Mr. Mitchell said that he would like to see a breakdown (on the age class maps) of the volume of timber in each age class and the percentage that each makes up.

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. Agenda for next Meeting

Mr. Hann suggested that we use 15–20 minutes at the end of the November 25th workshop to set the agenda for the next meeting.

Mr. Mitchell asked if it would be possible for those who have e-mail to discuss things between meetings?

Mr. Hann said there is no reason why they couldn't.

Mr. Nicholl said that issues would have to be brought to the table before entered into the plan though.

Start

Mr. Smith said he didn't have e-mail.

Mr. Rose said that there was community access to the internet (e-mail) in the school at Hampden at set times.

Mr. Smith said that he would have to check with the school in Sops Arm.

Mr. Diamond said that he was concerned about the time frame for the strategic document.

Mr. Hann said there is schedule which has already been set.

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. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Appendix 1: Planning Team Attendance at Meeting #5 on Nov. 15/2000.

Name		Affiliation	Rep	
Alt	Other			
Gary Gale		Main River Act.	X	Sharon Mirault

		Start
Committee		
Leah Soper DFRA X		
Don Brain	Abitibi Cons.	X
Ken Randell	Loggers	X
Eli Bishop	White Bay S Dev. Assoc.	X
David Nicholl	Sops Arm Local Service	X
Sheldon Stone Point	Norris	X
Bob Hicks	Norris Point	X
Dan Chaisson	Dept. of Tourism	X
Sue Rendell	Norris Point	X
Stewart Cochra	Dept. of Mines & Energy	X
Milt Crewe	Dept. of Environment & Labour	X
Bruce Nicholl	DFRA	X
Matt Churchill	CBPP	X
Paul Rose	Town of Hampden	X
Faron Knott X	CBPP	
Randy A. Smith	Citizen– Sops Arm	
Fred Osmond	Citizen– Hampden	
Norm Osmond	Town of Hampden	X
Darren Moore	Crown Lands Div.	X
Ian C. Bell	Agrifoods Div.	
Bruce A. Roberts	Canadian Forest Service	X
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. Local 579	

Start

Tony Bouzane	D.F.O. (Grand Falls)	X
Jeff Anderson	Parks Canada	
Bob Diamond	Citizen	X
Greg Mitchell*	Citizen	X

(* Alternate for Don Ivany–ASF)

(Note some individuals have not indicated whether or not they are a representative. This should be clarified at the next meeting.)

Appendix 2: Presentation by Jeff Anderson

Please note that a copy of this presentation will follow. To date it has not been submitted by Mr. Anderson, however it is expected to be recieved on Monday, Nov 20, 20000.

Start

District 16 Planning Team

Meeting #6

Hampden Academy

Hampden

November 29, 2000

In Attendance: (see Appendix 1)

1. Call to order and introductions

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. He then explained that there was attendance sheet that he would like everyone to sign and passed it around.

2. Approval of agenda

Mr. Hann asked the group to review the items on the agenda and asked if it was ok.

3. Review the minutes

A number of people said that they did not receive the minutes. Mr. Nicholl said that they had been sent out to everybody and didn't know what happened.

Mr. Diamond said there were some errors in the last minutes. He went through each statement he would like corrected. He handed Ms. Soper a copy of the last minutes with his comments on them.

Ms. Soper apologized for any errors and said that she would correct them and get the revised minutes out to the tea m.

4. & 5. Business Arising/Correspondence

No new business was brought up by the group.

Mr. Nicholl said that he had received 2 pieces of correspondence.

The first was the comments from Father John McCarthy which he had distributed at the last meeting. The other was a letter from N.A.L.E. who expressed an interest in being on the team. Mr. Nicholl said that he had no problem with this but that the group would not be able to back track on issues.

6. Comments on Presentations on Saturday

Mr. Hann asked if anyone would like to comment on Saturday's presentations.

Mr. Dolter said that he would be collecting the presentations from Saturday and distributing them to the team.

Mr. Smith said that when Darrell Harris gave his presentation he said that there was no wood supply problem but when Eli Sheppard from Abitibi gave his presentation he said that there was a shortage. Mr. Smith said right now he is very confused about things.

Mr. Hicks said that he felt that there were times during the presentations when things got a little out of control. He said that it should be the role of the facilitator to keep things in line.

Mr. Walsh said that they have gone from over 200 logger positions to 40 because of wood supply problems (not mechanical harvesters) in the past few years.

Mr. Churchill said he has a map showing insect damage on the island.

Mr. Diamond said that we need some resources to identify the information gaps and do some research to answer some important questions.

Start

Mr. Hicks asked if we could have some discussion on how the plan will be done. He said that someone has called Bruce twice to get a draft of the plan so that the Tourism Association could have some input into it.

Mr. Nicholl said that he is currently trying to get the draft plan together.

Mr. Hicks said that he felt that right now he doesn't feel that the group is having input into the plan. He said he feels that the resource groups should be presenting the info to Bruce who will put it in the plan (rather than Bruce putting together the plan and then commenting on it).

7. Video– Main River Coalition

(7:31pm)

Following the video Mr. Hann said that the group had 5 minutes for comments.

Mr. Diamond said that we have to find a reasonable balance and maintain biodiversity in the area. He said that we need to transcend the special interests for the greater interest of the area.

Mr. Walsh said that it was his understanding that the Main River Coalition wanted absolutely no cutting in the Main River area.

Mr. Diamond said although he is not the representative for the Coalition that there have put together a proposal and map showing a modified harvesting strategy that is acceptable to them.

Mr. Walsh asked if he could get a copy. Ms. Randall said she had a copy and he could borrow it from her.

Mr. Smith asked Mr. Churchill if he felt that the video was accurate.

Start

Mr. Churchill said that he thought it was but that the Main River doesn't have the second largest population of marten but rather Red Indian Lake does.

Mr. Hicks said that he would like it if when marten issues come up that there can be someone (a marten researcher) who can be here to answer the questions without being muzzled.

Mr. Hann asked how we can address it?

Mr. Sutton said that Joe Brazil would probably be the best person.

Mr. Rendall said that he doesn't want someone to give the governments spin on it. He said that when marten comes up we should have someone (a scientist) in the room who can answer the questions without bias.

Mr. Diamond said that is a valid point and maybe we should bring someone from a university.

Mr. Kelly said that there should be some trust in the people who are on the team and whom they might recommend.

Mr. Hicks said that he is worried that we won't get the whole picture (if someone from government addresses the marten questions).

Mr. Dolter said that sometimes the answers to questions can't be validated (because the data is not there to support it). He said that he felt that Joe could address marten and that the expertise is in the room to ask the appropriate questions.

Mr. Diamond asked if M.U.N. can recommend someone.

Mr. Hann said that we will have to address this at another time.

Mr. Hicks asked why everything is always deferred.

Start

Mr. Hann said that the agenda items for each meeting are decided upon by the planning team and will have to be an agenda item for next time.

Mr. Hicks asked to put it on the agenda for next time.

Mr. Diamond said that he wanted someone, besides Joe Brazil, for a second opinion. Maybe someone from MUN Biology Dept. would be good.

8. Presentation: Old Growth Forest By Father John McCarthy. (8 pm)

(See Appendix II)

9. Break

(8:30pm)

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. Agenda for next Meeting (8:45pm)

Mr. Hann said that the issue on peoples mind is how the strategy document and 5–year plan will be prepared. As well, pine marten was an issue.

He asked if we should re–negotiate the agenda tonight and add on ½ hour.

Mr. Nicholl said that he has a map will values on it and that he will pass it out and that he would like everyone to take it home and evaluate it.

Start

Mr. Hann asked if we could finish at 9:30. The group said yes.

Ms. Rendell asked how the Forest Service defines Main River forest?

Mr. Moores said that it is over-mature.

Ms. Rendell asked about the yield curves for Main River and if they reflect the type of forest there.

Mr. Moores said that the yield curves had been extended.

Father John McCarthy said that it was very difficult to model uneven-aged stands.

Ms. Rendell asked how quickly will it regenerate?

Father John McCarthy said regeneration isn't a problem. He said that a lot of very small trees will be released after cutting. He said that some trees, 100 years old or so and only about 1 metre high, will eventually "give up the ghost" if they don't get the light and nutrients which they require.

(Earlier in Father John McCarthy's presentation he explained that in many cases, the old, stunted trees quite well if trees surrounding them die and fall down thus giving them the better growing conditions).

Mr. Diamond asked if there is some distinguishing feature between over-mature and mature trees? What is the definition of over-mature?

Father John McCarthy said that when trees die they are considered over-mature, from a forestry perspective, if you wanted to capture that volume.

Mr. Diamond said that from a forestry perspective he could see what he is saying about a tree being over-mature but from the forest point of view these trees have value. They die and provide nutrients for other trees, and so on.

Start

Father John McCarthy said the term is from a forest productivity point of view.

Mr. Walsh said that he would like to get as much as he could from the meeting tonight because he can't make it back to the meeting Dec 13th.

Mr. Dolter said the discussion about what will go into the strategy document should be on the next agenda.

12. Video– Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Ltd.

(9pm)

Following the video, Mr. Hann asked if there were any comments.

Mr. Diamond said that the Model Forest has been around 10 years and didn't really represent groups around the table. His group eventually left the table. He said that the Model Forest has done a lot of secondary things but failed on its primary objective which was to put together a resource management plan. He said that it wasn't a personal thing and that there was a lot of good people that have worked with the Model Forest. He said that for District 16 this video doesn't apply. He said that BT (the spray used for insect infestations) is not benign and that there wasn't anything said about all the other pesticides which have been poured into our environment.

Mr. Smith asked whether Main River has been designated a Heritage River.

Mr. Knott said no. It should be nominated as a Heritage River.

It was mentioned that the Canadian Heritage River Board will meet (privately) on Dec 4th and then there will be a public meeting at Pollards Point School on Dec 5th and Glynmill Inn, Corner Brook on Dec 6th.

Mr. Smith inquired whether it was true to say that if Main River is self-perpetuating than to use the argument that it is necessary to get in there and capture the wood (before it all dies and falls down) is not true.

Father John said yes.

Mr. Hann asked about the agenda for next meeting. He suggested the following topics:

1. Values
2. What is working in the process and what is not.

Mr. Hicks said that we need to look at how input into the strategy document will be used the 5–year plan. Mr. Hann said yes.

Father John said that we should look at why our forest are important to each of us. How do we feel about our forests? He stated that we are all here because we have a feeling about the forests and this can be a " safe house" to look at this.

Mr. Hann asked people how they felt about this?

Mr. Smith said that it was an excellent idea.

Other members seemed to agree.

Mr. Hann said that everyone could think about what the forest means to them in preparation for the next meeting.

Mr. Diamond said that a fundamental problem with this process is that everyone here is representing some organization and can't speak from their soul.

Mr. Churchill said that Mr. Diamond can't speak for him and how he feels (personally) .

Mr. Diamond said that Matt Churchill can't speak as an individual but has to speak for Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited.

Start

Mr. Smith said that Mr. Diamond is entrenched in his ideas and Mr. Churchill is entrenched in his and somehow we have to mesh these because everyone (at the table) has their own opinions.

Father John asked if could get the second draft of the strategy document and have it tabled at the next meeting.

Mr. Nicholl said he didn't know how he could do if groups want to have input into what goes in the strategy document.

Mr. Diamond asked if Bruce is going to contact all the communities. Bruce said he has invited all the communities and they didn't show up. He said he will be writing all the groups around the table (inviting them to have input into the plan).

Father John asked if we could have a series of drafts that we could critique and then feel we have some ownership.

Mr. Nicholl said that Father John was the only one who responded and he would like to have it as an agenda item.

Father John asked if it was possible to move the clock ahead. Bruce said we would have to see as time goes on.

Mr. Nicholl said that we would have to see when as time goes on. He said that he would like the values to be incorporated in the next draft of the plan and, hopefully, available for the next meeting.

Bob Kelly asked for a format (for the strategy document) and that they then could have input into it.

Mr. Nicholl said that he didn't want to write the resource values section until we had discussed it.

Mr. Dolter said that there was a weakness in the process regarding having input into the document. He said that a lot can be done in the 2 weeks between meetings.

Ms. Rendell asked if it would be worthwhile to write the Department and ask that they hire someone to work on the document, if Bruce is busy.

Start

Mr. Nicholl said that the time frame was tight but not unrealistic.

Mr. Hann said we have to give Bruce the help he needs (to prepare the document).

Mr. Dolter suggested having a coordinating team in place to put together the document.

Mr. Hann said that we can talk about it next meeting.

Mr. Nicholl passed out the values map. He asked people to review it and they can comment on it at the next meeting.

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. **Adjourn**

Appendix 1: Planning Team Attendance at Meeting #6 on Nov. 29/2000.

Name	Affiliation	Rep	
Alt	Other		
John McCarthy	Citizen	X	
Sean Dolter	Western NF. Model Forest	X	
Gary Gale	Main River Act. Committee	X	Sharon Mirault
Leah Soper DFRA		X	
Ken Rendall	Loggers	X	

		Start
Eli Bishop	White Bay S Dev. Assoc.	X
Bob Hicks	Norris Point	X
Sue Rendell	Norris Point	X
Stewart Cochran	Dept. of Mines & Energy	X
Paul Barnable	Dept. of Environment & Labour	X
Kevin Sutton	DFRA	
Bruce Nicholl	DFRA	X
Matt Churchill	CBPP	X
Paul Rose	Town of Hampden	X
Faron Knott X	CBPP	
Marg Walsh	Main River Safari	
Adrian Walsh	Main River Safari	
Kirk Gillingham	Don Wells	
Walter Wells	Welco Ventures Ltd	
Craig Renouf	DFRA	
Len Moores	DFRA	
Bob Kelly	NF and Lab. Chamber of Mineral Resources	
Bruce Coombs	CBPPL	
Randy A. Smith	Citizen– Sops Arm	
Darren Moore	Crown Lands Div.	X
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. Local 579	
Bob Diamond	Citizen	X

(Note some individuals have not indicated whether or not they are a representative. This should be clarified at the next meeting.)

* Bob Kelly asked to be included in the planning team and minutes send to him.

Start

Appendix 2: Presentation by Father John McCarthy

Please note that a copy of this presentation will follow.

Start

District 16 Planning Team

Meeting #7

Hampden Academy

Hampden

December 12, 2000

In Attendance: (see Appendix 1)

1. Call to order and introductions

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7:10pm. He then explained that there was attendance sheet that he would like everyone to sign and passed it around.

2. Approval of agenda

Mr. Hann asked the group to review the items on the agenda and asked if it was ok.

3. Review the minutes

Mr. Walsh said that he did not receive the minutes. Mr. Nicholl said that they had been sent out to everybody and didn't know what happened

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Mr. Hann asked if there were any errors or omissions. None were brought up.

4. & 5. Business Arising/Correspondence

No new business was brought up by the group.

Start

Mr. Nicholl said that he had received 1 piece of correspondence. He said Ms. Rendell had send him a letter outlining the Main River Coalition's proposed harvesting strategy for the Main River watershed. Mr. Nicholl said that he has made 30 photocopies and members could take a copy.

6.

Values

Mr. Hann said John McCarthy and Sean Dolter will lead the session.

Mr. Hann that in this exercise we will discuss our values:

What does the forest mean us to me? Why do I care about the forest?

Mr. Hann said team members could write down there thoughts and pass them in or they could verbalize them.

Mr. Dolter passed out a sheet for members to write down their values and the guiding principles(which could be incorporated in the Strategy Document) to ensure that their values are protected.

See **Appendix 2** for results of this exercise.

7. **Break**

– 8:25 pm

8. **Overview of processes/mechanics for writing the strategy document**

At 8:40 pm Mr. Hann resumed the meeting. He said Sean Dolter would be presenting how the strategy document would be prepared.

Mr. Dolter passed out copies of his presentation.

Following the presentation Mr. Hann asked if there were any comments/questions?

Mr. Hicks said that he is concerned that all the writers are government people and that he felt that industry should have the major input. The lead, he said, should be industry.

Mr. Chaisson said that he had to agree that some (private) sectors, such tourism, can get involved in this process. We said that we need a broad sweep of both industry and government.

Mr. Nicholl said that there is no representative from the Newfoundland tourism association at the table. Rather, people have indicated that they are citizens and not representing any group.

Mr. Hicks said that he has asked for information from Mr. Nicholl several times and still haven't received it.

Mr. Nicholl said that he had spoken to Mr. Jamieson about that and explained why it has been given to him yet.

Mr. Diamond said that we need some real dialogue with communities, to define the community values and have some outreach to the communities and what they value in District 16.

Mr. Hicks said that industry should write the tourism section.

Mr. Nichol said OK, if they have someone who will do it.

Mr. Hicks said that he thought that the Outfitting sector would be separate (from what they would be putting together).

Mr. Jennings agreed.

Mr. Seaward asked that D.F.O. have input into the fishery info.

Mr. Nicholl said yes that would be done through L.Soper.

Mr. Hicks said that Jan 10/2001 is pushing it and we shouldn't rush anything.

Mr. Chaisson agreed.

Mr. Hicks said he doesn't understand why this draft didn't come up before now.

Mr. Hann said that there were other things which had to be done to get to this point.

Mr. Diamond said that he was pleased to see that socio-economic values were included (on the outline). He said the social aspect should be dealt with by the Sociology Dept. of MUN and the economics by a forest economist.

Mr. Wells (Don) said that it is not statistics that we need to have (this was in response to some individuals comments about not having enough time to put together the stats and other info required to write sections for the strategy document). What is important is what we will do in the future. He said that if we don't get it right (pull together the right info for the document) then there will be the workshop (for clarification of what will be required in the document).

Mr. Sutton said that we can't drag out the strategy document.

Mr. Hicks said that this draft strategy document should have been done before now. He said this process is nothing new for the Department and that this outline could have been presented in September. He said that they are now under the gun and this is what "they wanted".

Mr. Hann said you can't come into a new planning team and say this will be the way it is. In the 17 hours we have met we have done what we can.

Mr. Diamond said that he needs to consult with communities and we should ensure a good strategy document before we entertain any harvesting. He said maybe other resources, such as tourism, may be more important (economically).

Mr. Hann asked how can we deal with this issue of time?

Mr. Roberts asked if anyone had a problem with the framework?

Start

Mr. Hicks said no.

Mr. Hann asked how we could work around the time lines? What are the realities?

Mr. Hicks said that it is Christmas and people are tied up.

Mr. Jennings said that people in White Bay have had an opportunity to have input but what about the other communities in District 16.

Mr. Diamond said that this process isn't user friendly (it isn't easy for people from other communities to get here).

Mr. Chaisson said the time frame is short and that there is Xmas coming up and he has other major work commitments coming up.

Mr. Jennings said why don't we move it (the writing section) up 2 weeks.

It was decided that the Jan. 10/2001 deadline for having the **writing sections** done be moved up to **Jan. 24/2001**. The next **planning team meeting** was set for **Jan.10/2001**.

Mr. Barnable suggested more time between the completion of the workshop and the final sign-off.

Mr. Jennings asked why we are meeting on Jan 10th – what will be done?

9. Agenda for next meeting

Start

Mr. Hann said there was 3 pieces of information which are still left dangling:

1. Pine marten
2. Presentations from the Community(ies)
3. Presentation from the Integrated Saw millers

Mr. Diamond said that a presentation on maximizing employment opportunities is also required.

Mr. Gale said that he would like to speak on economic development.

Mr. Jennings asked if we could move the location of the meetings.

Mr. Hann said we would need a consensus because it was established in the ground rules.

Mr. Hann said there was something else he really wanted to cover tonight (Evaluation of the process– item 9 on the agenda) and asked if people would like to stay an addition while. The team said no.

10. Adjourn

Mr. Hann Adjourned the meeting at 9:43pm.

Mr. Walsh said that before the meeting is adjourned he would like to ask how much volume is in the Main River's Coalitions proposed (leave) area.

Ms. Rendell said she would have to look into and get back to him.

Appendix 1: Planning Team Attendance at Meeting #7 on Dec. 12/2000.

Name	Affiliation	Rep	
Alt	Other		
John McCarthy	Citizen	X	
Sean Dolter	Western NF.	Model Forest	X
Gary Gale	Main River Act. Committee	X	Sharon Mirault
Leah Soper DFRA X			
Bob Hicks	Norris Point		X
Sue Rendell	Norris Point	X	
Stewart Cochrane	Dept. of Mines & Energy	X	
Paul Barnable	Dept. of Environment & Labour		X
Kevin Sutton	DFRA		
Bruce Nicholl	DFRA	X	
Matt Churchill	CBPP	X	
Paul Rose	Town of Hampden		X
Faron Knott	CBPP		X
Marg Walsh	Main River Safari		
Kirk Gillingham	Don Wells		
Walter Wells	Welco Ventures Ltd	X	
Don Wells	Welco Ventures Ltd		X
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. Local 579		

			Start
Bob Diamond	Citizen	X	
Milt Crewe	Dept. of Environment & Labour		X
Eric Seaward	Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans		X
Dan Chaisson	Dept. of Tourism	X	
Eli Sheppard	Abibiti Consolidated		X
Paul Arnold	WNMF		X
David Jennings	NF & Lab Outfitters Assoc	X	
John Mccarthy	Concerned Citizen	X	
Bruce Roberts	CFS	X	
Norman Osmond	Hampden Comm. Council		X
George VanDusen	CBPPL	X	
Matt Churchill	CBPPL	X	
Pete Mercer	CBPPL	X	

(Note some individuals have not indicated whether or not they are a representative. This should be clarified at the next meeting.)

Start

District 16 Planning Team

Meeting #8

Hampden Academy

Hampden, Nfld.

January 10, 2001

See Appendix 1 for those in attendance

1. Call to order and introductions.

7:03 p.m. Mr. Hann called meeting to order. Each person in attendance identified themselves.

2. Approval of Agenda

- ◆ Mr. Hann noted change in agenda. One thing not there discussion on Pine Marten. All those people involved with Pine Marten at meeting in St. John's at this present time.
- ◆ One deletion Don Wells unable to give his presentation.
- ◆ Economic Development Association unable to be presented at this time but will go ahead at later date.

1. Review of Minutes.

- ◆ Mr. Hicks said that everyone did not get the minutes from last meeting.
- ◆ Mr. Hann said that this is a reoccurring problem and must be addressed..
- ◆ Mr. Nicholl took note of all individuals who did not receive minutes.

1. Business Arising.

- ◆ Anyone who did not have an E-mail address be contacted by other means.

Start

- ♦ Mr. Budgell asked if minutes be sent out to alternates also.

1. Correspondence.

- ♦ Mr. Nicholl checked to see who received information on Ecosystem approach: The Foundation for Sustainability.

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1. Integrated Sawmill Presentation by

- ♦ Don Wells could not go ahead

1. Community Economic Development Presentation – Gary Gale.

- ♦ Mr. Gale gave background on himself concerning his connection to the Forest industry.
- ♦ 1980's crisis situation in White Bay.
- ♦ Kruger expressed interest.
- ♦ Cut stands in Upper Humber Area.
- ♦ Meetings held in Pollard's Point, Nfld.
- ♦ Discussed minutes of meeting.

jobs (union workers)

- Accepted harvesting proposals.
- Local men would be employed.
- All jobs did not develop like promised.
- ♦ In recent years local people decide to take a stand (300 people road block)
- ♦ Further talks with CBP&P.
- ♦ Decided to stop road block.
- ♦ Realized that the people in the area wouldn't get all the jobs.

Start

- ◆ Took a diverse approach and looked at other areas for job creation.
- ◆ Developed an Economic Plan. (3 years)
- ◆ Decided to focus more on tourism.
- ◆ Plan didn't seem to get anywhere.
- ◆ With downturn fishing, forestry etc..., a committee was formed.
- ◆ A new study was implemented IAS study.
- ◆ Put this plan into action after it was completed.

- ◆ Hired some individuals to carry out surveys – where people were working etc...
- ◆ Put together Strategic Economic Plan.
- ◆ A copy of goals of Economic Plan was circulated.
- ◆ Identified individuals who served on committee.
- ◆ Review contents of plan.
 - ◇ Business statement
 - ◇ discussed sawmill industry
 - ◇ market for waste products – slabs – sawdust – bark?
- ◆ Adverse economy is needed and sustainable development.

Major Concern

- ◆ Keep our young people in the area. (decline in school enrollment)
- ◆ Other jobs needed. Can't be just dependent on traditional jobs.
- ◆ Focused on major fields of employment. The fields included the following:

1. Forestry

Start

- ◆ Assessment be done before stands are harvested.
- ◆ Forum held at school
 - ◇ Hardwood utilization
 - ◇ Spruce paneling and flooring
- ◆ Prepare inventory of alternative species birch, etc...
- ◆ Start thinking about the way we are using our resources and maybe there are other alternatives.
- ◆ Didn't agree with logs for pulp
- ◆ Protected areas are needed.
- ◆ Thinking has changed and most people's thinking is changing.
- ◆ Lead people in new direction to keep our communities alive.
- ◆ Decline in population. Education in school suffers.

Mr. Hann commented on when this presentation would conclude.

1. Tourism

- Many things to offer. (scenery, etc...)
 - Canadian Heritage status is really important.
 - Lobbied for status.
 - An industry can be built.
 - ◆ A lead organization had to be put in place.
 - ◆ Hire economical development officer.
 - ◆ Need support from government.
- 7: 48 p.m.
- ◆ A short video was asked to be presented and it was.
 - ◆ Upper Humber – Main River Areas.

Start

- It gave those in attendance a picture of what these areas are like and how we should protect what we have.

Mr. Hann asked for questions.

Mr. Smith asked about those involved in the forest industry.

Wayne Budgell – 1989 37 unionized loggers (Hampden), today – approximately 2 left.

- ◆ Should be at least 150 loggers but only 3 of 30 loggers in the area.
- ◆ not getting what we were promised.

Mr. Gale said we need other users for the Tourist industry rather than loggers.

Mr. Hann commented that we were getting too precise.

Mr. Walsh said that jobs are being lost as a result of lack of resource and not due to harvesters.

Father John asked about the Heritage River issue.

Mr. Gale said that letters are sent and hoped to meet to express their concerns.

Mr. Hann concluded Mr. Gale's presentation and said we move on with the progress of Section Writers.

8. Report on Progress of Section Writers

Mr. Nicholl said that he hadn't heard back. Suggested that submission be in by January 24/01.

Mr. Dolter asked for input from Crown lands. Need a contact person. Recreation needs a section writer for comments which he has taken upon himself to prepare. Paul Barnable has done work on water resources. He said that other section writers are needed.

Mr. Hann asked what would be needed from Section Writers for January 24/01.

Father John had concerns, are these the values that we need addressed?

Mr. Hicks agreed with Father John's comments.

Mr. Hann said that this is only a draft and other concerns and values could later be addressed.

Mr. Barnable commented on how far are you going to go with issues such as global warming.

Mr. Hann commented that we do have a deadline.

Start

Mr. Diamond said that he hopes the deadline is not a deadline and that other values could be addressed later. A deadline was required.

Mr. Nicholl asked what gaps or values need to be addressed.

Father John concerned about other values that didn't make the document. ie Global Warming.

Mr. Hann said we can't debate values but can add values. Take a look and see if there are gaps later.

Mr. Knott commented on the values we outlined in Appendix 2.

Mr. Smith expressed his concerns about decision being made in the backroom.

Mr. Hann said that the drafted document will be the guide for which the 5 year plan will be developed.

Mr. Smith had concerns about the sustainability of our forests on the Province as a whole. Can't look at other districts.

Mr. Hann said that these concerns would be put to Len Moores.

Mr. Smith expressed his concern about mill in Stephenville.

Mr. Diamond said that access to the land need to be addressed through 20 year plan and the renewing of expiring leases.

Mr. Gale commented on sustainable forests. Why are we importing wood if our forests are sustainable?

9. 8: 17 p.m.

Mr. Hann suggested a 15 minute break. Mr. Hann passed out a series of handouts during break. Informational material – (Dept. Mines and Energy Analysis)

8:35 p.m.

Mr. Hann noted handouts one from Father John and confirmed planning team participants and Alternates list. Asked Mr. Nicholl to get a finalized list for next meeting.

Mr. Hann commented on gathering of dates. Sean Dolter as a list of things we need to address.

10. Socio-Economic Analysis

- Mr. Dolter presented some questions to consider.

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Start

Objectives?

- What will the Analysis enable us to do?
- Should we schedule and amend when ready?

List of Scenarios:

1. Doing the list we can limit the time frame.
2. Providing a template for the rest of Province to work with.
3. A collection of data without analysis from a number of sources.

Mr. Dolter opened the floor for debate.

Mr. Diamond commented on providing good for all. Managing for all and maximizing our resource potential.

Mr. Hicks stated it should be part of the plan.

Mr. Diamond commented on separating the social and economic values of the resource. Stakeholders are different from local citizens.

Mr. Hann asked if this is a poor idea.

Mr. Sheppard addressed his concerns about getting to broad regarding benefits.

Mr. Diamond stressed what our mandate should be and that we should have benefit for all and not just major stakeholders.

Mr. Hann asked how do we give it legs and get it moving?

Mr. Mercer expressed on how socio–economics is going to tell us what this template should be.

Mr. Diamond discussed the issue of how are we going to utilize the resource, prior to establishing access roads, etc...

Mr. Gale wants to meet with CBP&P and discuss issues concerning economics.

Ms. Rendell– If the second scenario is selected where would the funding come from?

Mr. Dolter started that this would have to be addressed to the group.

Mr. Diamond commented on the attendance of stakeholders and about his concerns regarding the lack of economists and sociologists around the table.

Mr. Churchill said that option B is reasonable. All values have been listed and should be addressed.

Ms. Rendell said that there are other markets and more opportunities. She referred to program on Market Place CBC.

Start

Mr. Hann again stressed the fact "How do we give it legs?"

Timelines are touchy and how much do we do and how do we do it?

Mr. Budgell spoke concerning past research and committee and if there is no funding then they are useless.

Mr. Diamond , he wants this process to go out to the communities and not just limited to Stakeholders. How do we prioritize values?

Mr. Gale thinks that socio–economics is already developed in previous documents.

Mr. Diamond doesn't think that there documents go far enough and other research is needed.

Father John discussed pieces of the pie. Aren't the people around the table enough to address the socio–economics issue and is there need to go outside further?

Mr. Smith said that the pie is going to have to be divided up. CBP&P have their people in place and are big and small tourism groups can't compete for a fair piece of the pie.

Mr. Hann tries to refocus on what we are trying to do. – There is a danger of involving too much information.

Mr. Diamond strongly apposed omitting information. Somebody is needed to get all the necessary information required.

Mr. Hann reminded all regarding time.

Mr. Mercer expressed the fact that all can co–exist and all can benefit.

Mr. Smith addressed the concerns of jobs losses.

Mr. Hann asked if we could go 10 more minutes?

Mr. Diamond wanted to establish sub–committees.

Mr. Osmond opposed any sub–committees.

Mr. Walsh said sub–committees aren't needed. We need to make decisions now. The minister will make the decision for us if we can't agree.

Father John expressed the fact that a sub–committee could be formed and who would volunteer to serve on this committee.

Mr. Diamond was willing to serve on a sub–committee. No other interest was expressed.

Mr. Gale expressed the fact that he didn't show any facts and figures in his presentation.

9:39 p.m.

Mr. Diamond left the meeting and commented on the meeting being nothing but a hoax.

Start

Mr. Hann commented that a couple of issues still need to be addressed.

Mr. Dolter said other issues should wait for January 24/01.

Mr. Hann asked regarding future presentations.

Sections should be put together and passed out.

Father John thought evaluation should be addressed earlier. It has the tendency to be left out.

Resource person for Pine Martin discussion.

9:41 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.

MD 16 Planning Team Attendance

Meeting # 8

Date: January 10, 2001

Faron Lidstone	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Wayne Budgell	CEP 60 N
Jim Walsh	U.B.C Local 579
Bob Diamond	Citizen
Marguerette Walsh	Main River Safari
Adrian Walsh	Main River Safari
John McCarthy	Citizen
Eli Sheppard	Abitibi – Consolidated
Randy A. Smith	Sops Bay Citizen

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Henry Ralph	Pollards Point
Eric Seaward	D.F.O.
Scott Taylor	
Bob Hicks	Citizen
Susan Rendell	Citizen
Bruce Nicholl	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Darren Mercer	Corner Brook
Stewart Cochrane	Dept. Mines & Energy (Rep.)
Paul Barnable	Dept. of Enviroment & Labrador
Melt Crewe	Dept. of Enviroment & Labrador
Matt Churchill	CBP&P
Beryl Ricketts	Jackson's Arm (Councillor)
Faron Knott	CBP&P
Peter Mercer	CBP&P
Norm Osmond	(Mayor) Hampden

Start

District 16 planning Team

Meeting # 9

Hampden Academy, Hampden

In Attendance: See attached sheet

7:00 p.m.

Item 1. Call to order and introductions

Bruce Nicholl said on last weeks attendance sheet page 2 was missing, he asked that anyone not on the list – give it to Ms. Soper before they leave tonight.

Item 2. Approve the agenda

Mr. Hann went through the agenda.

Item 3. Review of minutes

Mr. Hann asked for any errors /omissions of orginal minutes. Team said no errors /omissions. Mr. Hann said he received an e-mail from Mr. Diamond. Mr. Nicholl said only people on e-mail list received it and he had paper copies if anyone needed. Mr. Churchill asked what is the procedure here for minutes. He said normally that members comes to the next meeting and discuss it rather than sit down and write up something and send it out. Mr. Knott said that he didn't think it right to change

Start

someone else's comments. Ms. Rendell said that the minutes tend to be vague.

Mr. Hann said the minutes aren't an opportunity to re-state (re-think) what was said earlier.

Mr. Hann said that Mr. Diamond isn't here to discuss it.

Mr. Norm Osmond said that we should have an opportunity to express our views.

Mr. Hann said we would accept minutes and Mr. Diamond's comments.

Mr. Crewe said the amount of detail Mr. Diamond had in his comments was amazing.

Mr. Anderson asked about the workshop. Mr. Hann said we haven't gotten to it yet.

Item 4. Business Arising

Ms. Rendell put up the website for Main River Coalition.

<http://home.thezone.net/wolverin/mainriver.html>

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7:15 p.m.

Don Wells. Integrated Sawmill Presentation.

Gary Gale asked how cost effective the exchange was?

Mr. Wells said that on pulpwood & chips it is fair however he is having difficulty because of the market and not what he gets from the mill.

Ms. Rendell asked how much of his wood comes from District 16. Mr. Wells said that most does but can't say where exchange comes from for sure.

Ms. Rendell asked if we are cutting in a sustainable manner?

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Mr. Wells said that one thing we did wrong provincially is not doing silviculture sooner. He said that for him wants 45–50 year old tree not 80 year old tree. He said if we grew white spruce then maybe yes 80 year old tree would be O.K..

Dan Chaisson asked about birch – is anyone doing anything with birch.

Mr. Wells said that there is a market but our birch is not big enough. Costly to bring out – 30% is decent – 70% is not and drive up cost.

Mr. Jennings asked who he sells to?

Mr. Wells said 50% US 75% Maritimes/Ontario 20 – 25% Nfld.

Mr. Jennings asked if this is the standard of market.

Mr. Wells said some ship only to US; some only to Nfld. If depends.

Mr. Chaisson asked if he sell in US dollars.

Mr. Wells said yes.

Mr. Wells said he had copies of presentation available.

Mr. Hann said will be passed out during break.

7:55 p.m.

Mr. Hann said he would like to stop and look at **how** we are doing. He said this is the ninth meeting and a couple workshops and we need to look at how we are doing.

What has been working? What are the plus things?

Second, what are negatives? What is not making you happy?

Third, what are some **Practical** things we can do to improve the meetings or process?

He asked group to think about things for 3 minutes.

Mr. Hann said Ms. Soper would record this and include it in the minutes.

Start

Mr. Gale – the attendance good. (tve)

– lost a few members (ex. Mr. Diamond) (–ve)

Mr. Jennings (tve) Don Wells talk very good. Success story. Probably 10 other industries in District 16 which could say same – a success story.

(–ve) not enough people here, should be 100 people – exposure not good enough.

To improve the process: got to move around (the meeting) can't be in Hampden (one place) to include everyone.

Mr. Gale said that re. attendance, he said that he has found that people come initially but later drop off.

Mr. Jennings said there is enough government and company people here need more citizens.

Mr. Chaisson said not enough people hear these messages. Mr. Chaisson said that there is more to a forest than cutting it down.

He said Chamber of Commerce should be here.

He said meetings should be moved around.

(tve) – Mr. Wells – diverse view points stimulating. It makes him think about what he is doing.

(–ve) – Not talking about the draft.

Didn't start at the draft.

Practical – start at it (draft)

Ms Rendell (tve) presented a diversity of economic view points

– a little intimidating and maybe for other people (citizens) finds the same. She said GMNP had a process that was non-threatening put key points on bulletin boards and bring them around to the communities.

Father John (–ve) parrell forums going on (outside this process) that we aren't part of us. He thinks that sustainable forest management is a term that we use too much. The linkages between values and the operating plans aren't clear yet. He said strategy document should be appended to the plan when it is registered. He said alterations and AAC are already decided but our values we decide on could affect these.

Mr. Sheppard – (tve) same values come up at other meetings.

He was surprised that sustainability comes up when AAC are based on it.

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(-ve) like to see more citizens.

Hikers, fishers, etc...

Practical: e-mail questions or things we will be asked to comment on.

Mr. Chaisson said that he is frustrated he doesn't have more time to devote to this process. Wishes he had more time to devote to it.

Mr. Gale – He said that re citizens – What do we tell them? Mr. Hann said it is open but there is a process here and rules decided on. He said it is an open process.

Mr. Gale said meetings are in Hampden because there are ground rules that we adopted.

Mr. Jennings said his gripe isn't with Hampden but a lot of people left out. Should we not have a "Mother Discussion" about how we handle strategy document. A generic discussion so we don't have to go over things again with each District.

Mr. Wells said that the government was accused years ago of not having enough input and this was a legitimate way to handle it. So each District gets a chance to have a say in their own area.

Mr. Osmond (-ve) became familiar with all groups, all issues re Main River.

(-ve) Always going backwards – example – tonight talking about where we will have meetings and tonight opening it up again.

Ms. Rendell said this is a evolving process and have indentified that need to move the meetings around.

Mr. Hann said that the ground rules were adopted and he said that the last one said that the rules could be re-visited. He said he can only faultiate within these rules. He is only doing within this framework.

Mr. Jennings said he didn't hear anyone say change the rules. He said he just said not enough bodies here.

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Mr. Roberts said (–ve) haven't heard from others employed (loggers) in the industry. He said confusion over the resource. What is allocated and what is used?

Mr. Wells said the reason they didn't reach AAC because of the lack of roads to the wood.

Mr. Roberts (tve) Everyone still together in the group.

Practical: Message should be clearer. There is some confusion.

8:30 p.m. – Break

8:45 p.m.

Mr. Hann handed out presentation one error: p.2 – in center of page should be 117,700 not 177,000.

Mr. Hann handed out draft Strategy document during break.

Paul Arnold said that this is first draft some sections missing.

Mr. Osmond suggested that an outside (for example Paul Rose's Father) could write section on special places for this document even if they aren't on the Planning Team.

Mr. Crewe said we are starting to lose focus on forest management if we start getting into various special places. Special places in regards to forest management, should be included.

Mr. Hann asked how this gets handled (i.e., section on special places)

Mr. Arnold felt that we had good representation at this table and that if we thought about we could put it together.

Start

Mr. Knott said he didn't understand what Mr. Arnold wants us to do.

Mr. Hann said this is a gap and that we could send out a memo for individuals to identify special places.

Ms. Rendell said that there is 2 sections referring to special places and from a tourism point of view special places is different from biodiversity.

Mr. Chaisson asked why we are identifying special places.

Ms. Rendell said that public consultation will be important to identify special places.

Mr. Hann said we should start by identifying places in this group and go from there.

Mr. Arnold said that socio-economic section not done. Mr. Arnold asked if anyone around to do it.

Mr. Nicholl said that he had discussed this (with Sean Dolter) and it was decided this would involve a strategy as to how we would do it.

Mr. Chaisson said that this would be over the long-term but plan kicks in next year so will there be any point to doing it.

Mr. Knott said there has been a lot of work done already.

Mr. Nicholl said yes and this is a rolling document and in this strategy plan would outline the strategy to handle the socio-economic issue.

Mr. Gale said done a lot of work and that we can have access to what they have for incorporation into the strategy document.

Start

Mr. Andersons material is at his office and Mr. Arnold asked if we send it out this week or wait until next meeting?

Mr. Hann said he would like people to have a look at this and say what's not clear, what's not here and what do I fear. This is homework for next meeting.

Mr. Chaisson asked if there was a chance to add to the document. Mr. Hann said yes.

Mr. Nicholl said he has an eco-region map. If anyone wants a copy.

Mr. Churchill said to clarify what we will do at the next meeting. Will we go through the document section by section? If so, then how will we do it? Who will lead?

Mr. Hann said he will work that out with Sean Dolter for the next meeting.

Mr. Hann said he would like people to have a look at this and say whats not clear, what not here and what not.

9:30 p.m. – Meeting Adjourned

MD 16 Planning Team Attendance

Meeting #9

Date: January 24, 2001

<u>Name</u>		Affiliation	_____
<u>Rep.</u>	Alt.	<u>Other</u>	_____

L e a h S o p e r

DFRA

X

Matt Churchill CBPP X

Kenneth Randell Citizen

F a r o n K n o t t

CBPP X

Beryl Ricketts Jackson's Arm Councillor

Paul Barnable Enviroment & Labour X

Milt Crewe Enviroment & Labour X

Stewart Cochrane Mines & Energy X

Adrian Walsh Main River Safari

Marg Walsh Main River Safari

Dan Chaisson Dept. of Tourism

Dave Jennings NF&Lab. Outfitters Assoc.

Darren Moore Crown Lands

Bruce Nicholl NFS

Eli Bishop White Bay South Dev. Assoc.

David Nicholl Sop's Arm Local Service

Henry Ralph CEP Local 60

P a u l A r n o l d

WNMF X

Eli Sheppard Abitibi – Cons

Don Wells Welco Ventures Ltd.

Walter Wells Welco Ventures Ltd.

Anthony Alexander Cormack Council

Bruce A. Roberts Canadian Forest Service

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John McCarthy	Citizen		
Tony Bouzane	DFO	X	
Sue Rendell	Citizen	X	
Jeff Anderson	Parks Canada	X	
Norm Osmond	(Mayor) Hampden		X
Paul Rose	(Councillor) Hampden	X	
Gary Gale	Main River Econ.		
	Devp. Comm		
Fred Osmond	Burton's Cove Logging		
Bruce Coombs	CBPP		

Start

District 16

Planning Team Meeting # 10

Hampden

February 7, 2001

Pat Hann called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes of Jan 30, 2001 Meeting

These were reviewed, no changes suggested.

Business Arising >From Meeting #8, January 10/2001

* Jim Walsh's comments to follow.

Correspondence

Father John McCarthy forwarded comments on Draft Strategy Document.

These are attached.

Time Lines

Pat Hann reviewed time lines for Plans. He noted that final draft of Strategy Document is due on February 21/2001. After that he suggested that we start the 5 year planning process. On completion of the 5 year plans he suggested that we return to the Strategy Document and hopefully sign off on the full package.

Company 5 year plans have to be completed and submitted to Dept. of Environment

& Labour by June 30/2001. The crown 5 year plan has to be submitted to Environment by

September 30/2001.

Special Places

Paul Arnold was asked at the January 30/2001 meeting to canvas the Planning Team for suggestions as to what "special places" were in District 16. Bruce Nicholl will contact Paul to determine progress to date on this action item.

Comments on Draft Strategy Document

At January 30 meeting Pat asked the group to review the draft Strategy for discussion on February 7/2001, keeping in mind the following three questions:

1.
What in the draft is not clear?
2.
What is not there for you.
3.
What do I fear?

There was considerable discussion about **Criteria and Indicators**: Questions were asked like, How are we to measure? Who is going to do the measuring? Don Brain felt there should be at least one indicator for each objective. Don also felt that there were no time frames associated with the objectives.

The consensus on Criteria and Indicators was that more discussion was needed. It was agreed that Len Moores should lead the discussion. A meeting is scheduled to discuss this on **Friday, February 16/2001 between 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.** at **Humber**

Valley Rod and Gun Club in Pasadena. Anyone interested in attending is asked to contact Bruce Nicholl at 686-2071, Paul Arnold at 637-7308 or Sean Dolter at 637-7303. Most of the February 21/2001 regular meeting in Hampden will also be devoted to this subject.

Eli Sheppard noted that on page 5 there was no reference to Domestic Cutting.

George VanDusen noted that he would like to see more up to date fishery statistics on page 19. The ones used were for 1990.

George VanDusen mentioned that on page 26 there is no specific reference as to how we would manage in and around municipal water supplies. He also noted that locations were not shown.

Bruce Nicholl said that statements regarding Silviculture will be included in the next draft.

There were two responses to the question: What do I fear? Father John covered this question in his correspondence which is attached: Faron Knott felt uncomfortable about what could be read into the comment on page 13 in the draft that 7 new spiders were found. He noted that one of the researchers involved with the studies in Main River commented that new spiders to science could be found in many areas if we went looking. Faron felt the comment on 7 spiders was unqualified.

Bruce stated that page 38 to 52 would be rewritten.

Specific Ideas for Improving Process

changing venue was discussed but not found to be acceptable.

Discussions were held around getting more people involved but no concrete approach was finalized. Pat Hann did comment that the way this process should work in theory is that Planning Team Members should be representing clusters of people in most instances.

Start

The question "Should we have an open house to display the strategy document?" was asked. There didn't appear to be much interest in this approach.

The discussion ended with Pat Hann commenting that we should keep looking to find ways to involve more people.

Next Official Meeting February 21/2001 at 7:00 p.m. in Hampden

MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 16
PLANNING TEAM ATTENDANCE
MEETING #10
DATE: FEBRUARY 7, 2001

Jim Walsh	Carpenters 579
Margueretta Walsh	Main River Safari
Adrian Walsh	Main River Safari
Eli Sheppard	Abitibi Consolidated
Don Brain	Abitibi Consolidated
Fred Osmond	Burton's Cove Logging & Lumber Ltd.
Bruce Nicholl	Dept. Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Bruce Coombs	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
George VanDusen	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Stewart Cochrane	Mines & Energy

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Kevin Sutton	Dept. Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Kenneth Randell	Citizen
Faron Knott	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Matt Churchill	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Peter Mercer	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Don Wells	Welco Ventures
Paul Rose	Hampden Council
Gary Gale	Hampden Economic Development Committee

Start

DISTRICT 16

PLANNING TEAM MEETING #11

FEBRUARY 21, 2001

Item 1 & Item 2.

Call to Order & Introductions.

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Item 3.

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Review of Minutes.

Gary Gale's comments will be sent out with next minutes.

Item 4& 5.

New Business & Correspondence.

Mr. Sutton asked if comments from Jim Walsh had been sent to everyone. Mr. Nicholl said yes – they have been sent to everyone.

Wayne Budgel: discussed a document which outlines Unions official position on sustainable Forest Management. He handled out copies to the group.

Mr. Dolter: said regarding the writers section of Strategy Document he is still waiting for D.F.O.'s section, Tourism's has been written – currently Gary Gale is reviewing it and it should be available this week. He is still waiting to get something from Louise Daley – if he don't get he will have summarize from her presentation.

Mr. Dolter discussed his e-mail regarding Special places and Recreational activities. He said there is some major editing required from information (32 pages) he received from an individual who prepared the recreational fish information. He summarized results of workshop on C & I held last Friday. He provided copies to the Planning Team and asked everyone to review and send comments back to him because people will need time to review it.

Mr. Dolter said the document the Team will receive in the next week or two will be large and it may be a sensitive matter on how to edit it. Mr. Dolter said that he feels Mr. Nicholl should edit but he would like to know how people feel.

Father John McCarthy & Gary Gale

submitted comments (and others mentioned in last minutes) to 1st. draft.

Mr. Dolter: said regarding Terry McNeil's submission it needs to be edited for the Strategy Document but he would like the Team to have the opportunity to review it.

Mr. Hann: asked if it could be appended to the document? Mr. Dolter said that is possible.

Mr. Smith: asked if Mr. Dolter could send information back to individuals who have submitted it to edit it. Mr. Dolter said the problem is, he may have to wait awhile to get it back.

Mr. Dolter: said there is a problem with the submission to the document, people are not separating a synopsis of guiding principles from operating level information.

Mr. Nicholl: said he is having trouble editing others material because it is good information.

Mr. Dolter: said he'd send out an un-edited version first for review.

Mr. Dolter said regarding C&I workshop the only criteria not dealt with was criterion 6 – public involvement and commitment.

Mr. Anderson: asked if next meeting we would receive a document with all the pieces (e.g. C&I section). Mr. Dolter said yes.

Mr. Hann: asked how everyone feels about this (the document)?

Mr. Anderson: asked if this would be the end?

Mr. Hann: said no—it will still be a draft until finalized.

Mr. Hann asked if there was anything people could do to help editing? Mr. Dolter said he had asked people not to format their sections.

Mr. Smith: asked the sequence of events now?

Mr. Hann: said first strategy document then the operating plans. He said that the deadlines for companies is June 30th, crown – Sept. 30th.

Mr. Churchill: said next meeting CBP&P will bring their maps showing harvesting plans and they will look at Operating areas and look at issues around it.

Mr. Smith: asked for an example of issues?

Mr. Sheppard: gave an example of a Salmon River and buffers around it.

Mr. Sheppard said it is not a map, only but a written document as well.

Mr. Smith: asked if CBP&P and Abitibi are obligated to follow recommendations in the Strategy Document.

Mr. Churchill: said that in a particular area the issues have to be identified and work through the process to provide for the needs identified. Needs must be identified to be addressed. Issues have to be taken one by one for example: he has been meeting with outfitters.

Mr. Nicholl: said we are dealing with District 16 and not just Main River at this table.

Mr. Churchill: said that outfitters have met with him and the issues will be reported and how they were resolved (or not) will be presented.

Mr. Smith: asked if descending views will be presented in the document.

Mr. Nicholl: said descending views can be appended to the document.

Mr. Smith: said both sides of an argument should be presented in the document.

Mr. Sheppard: said that what you will see is harvesting at AAC (as set by government, which is sustainable).

Mr. Nicholl: said as we go through the process the Team will see how they can work on issues.

Mr. Anderson: asked if we will have something to take away next meeting. Mr. Churchill said there will be an overview map.

Start

Mr. Sutton: asked if Mr. Churchill would bring 25 copies?

Mr. Nicholl: said how about maps at central locations?

Mr. Churchill: said for next meeting he could bring copies but not revisions for every meeting. He said it would be large. A map showing operating areas – locations of cuts and roads.

Break:

8:05 p.m.

Mr. Hann:

resumed the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Mr. Hann: asked the team when reviewing draft document to keep in mind the tangibles that the company can do.

Mr. VanDusen: mentioned that Bruce Nicholl had said he would send out the Environment Protection Guidelines.

Mr. Nicholl said he would get them out (separate from the minutes).

Mr. Hann: asked what they (CBP&P) need for the plan?

Mr. Churchill: said they need issues identified. Mr. Churchill said they will need to harvest in excess of one million metres of wood in District 16 in next 5 years. He showed a map of their limits and he said they will be harvesting in different areas within their limits. He said people should come forth with issues now.

Mr. Dolter: asked what approach should we take? He said we need a systematic approach to conflicts.

Mr. Churchill: said the first step is to identify them. It depends on the issue as to how it will be resolved.

Mr. Roberts: asked how many operating areas ? Two dozen?

Mr. Churchill: said yes.

Mr. Sutton: asked what we will do next meeting?

Mr. Churchill: said he would like to go through their plan next meeting along with a presentation by Norm Osmond and if it takes all night then that is what we should do. He said Ms. Soper can get a table of contents from Mr. Nicholl and have distributed or available for group next meeting.

Mr. Dolter: asked the time lines?

Mr. Smith: said that issues have to be identified after seeing the map. The team will need time to think about it.

Mr. Churchill: said the next few meetings will be working meetings.

Mr. Moores: asked about agencies not here (e.g. Archaeological sites).

Mr. Churchill: said that they send it out to Historical Resources

Mr. Hann: asked if any other issues?

Mr. Nicholl: presented (handed out) the newspaper clipping regarding the coalition's withdrawal from process.

Mr. Hann: asked the Team to read the article.

Mr. Dolter: asked if the Team will send a response? What will we do with it?

Mr. Sutton: said if the coalition ever was part of the process?

Mr. Dolter: said we created the problem by calling it an Ecosystem Document. Mr. Dolter said that it will be political in the next few weeks.

Mr. Smith: said that his concern was that the AAC can't be changed and he said that was the coalitions (beef) about it.

Mr. Hann: said we need to decide what we can do about it?

Mr. Gale: asked who was the representative for the coalition?

Mr. Nicholl: said she last attended in November. Also, she said five individuals left. He can only count four and only one of these, plus Shelly, represented coalition.

Mr. Dolter: said he does not believe that the process is "substantially flawed"— it is transparent process.

Mr. Smith: said that from a practical point of view it is not democratic because some individuals can't make it here all the time while others do (who those it is their job make it to all the meetings). He said that a lot of the public don't understand the forest planning process.

Mr. Sutton: said he just wanted to see how the planning team feels about it. He said the Department has to respond to it.

Mr. Budgell: said the Press Release is flawed if anything.

Mr. Hann: said the best thing we can do is carrying on and prepare the strategy document. Mr. Dolter said as a group we should move on. Mr. Roberts said that this was debated on Cross talk and the arguments were that it was false advertising, but they did say that it was a learning process and opportunity for people to get involved.

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Mr. Churchill: asked if Department will respond?

Mr. Sutton: said yes.

Mr. Hann: said that as Team we should plug on and leave it to Forestry to respond.

Mr. Dolter said it will be in the media and the Sierra Club will also be vocal.

Mr. Dolter: asked Mr. Churchill about what we will do about conflicts? Take it away from table?

Mr. Churchill: said yes but there may be individual who will find fault with that process.

Mr. Dolter: said that if there is hot issues then move from the table and then come back and report to committee.

Mr. Hann: asked for final comments.

Mr. Smith: said he can't make next meeting but give a map to Dave.

Management District 16 Planning Team Attendance

Meeting # 11

February 21, 2001

Start

Sean Dolter	Model Forest
Tony Bouzane	D.F.O.
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. 579
Eli Sheppard	Abitibi Con.
Bruce A. Roberts	C.F.S.
Jeff Anderson	Parks Canada
Anthony Alexander	Cormack Council
Walter Wells	Welco Adventures
Bruce Nicholl Agrifoods	Dept. of Forest Resources &
Randy A. Smith	Sop's Arm Citizen
Kevin Sutton Agrifoods	Dept. of Forest Resources &
George VanDusen	CBP&P
Chad Wells	Chamber of Mineral Resources
Darren Moore	Crown Lands
Beryl Ricketts	-----
Leah Soper Agrifoods	Dept. of Forest Resources &
Matt Churchill	CBP&P
Pete Mercer	CBP&P
Kevin Roberts	CEP Local 60
Wayne Budgell	CEP Local 60
Henry Ralph	CEP Local 60
Eli Bishop	WBSDA
David Nicholl	Sop's Arm LSD

Start

Gary Gale
Comm.

Main River Econ. Develop

Start

DISTRICT 16
PLANNING TEAM MEETING # 12
HAMPDEN
MARCH 7, 2001

In attendance (see sheet) – Appendix 1

Item 1. Call to order and introductions. Mr Hann opened the Meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Item 2. **Approve the agenda.**

Mr. Hann went through agenda. It was okay with the planning team.

Item 3. **Review the minutes.**

Mr. Hann asked if any errors or omissions in minutes. The minutes were accepted.

Item 4. **Business arising.**

Nil.

Item 5. **Correspondence**

Mr. Nicholl had one correspondence from Father John and he sent a letter (attached) stating his continued participation in planning process by e-mail. Mr. Nicholl asked if any objections? No objections .

Mr. Hann said to let him know if it was acceptable.

Mr. Nicholl asked if everyone received the Environmental Protection Guidelines and the Table of Contents. He distributed it to anyone who didn't get it.

Mr. Brain asked if the EPG were the latest draft and if they were up for discussion. Mr. Nicholl said he thought it was the latest one. Mr. Brain said he had a couple of

questions. One was regarding the land use Atlas and if it could be made available?

Mr. Moores said yes.

Item 6. **Comprehensive Draft of Strategy Document**

Mr. Nicholl said he had 15 or 16 copies available and distributed to the group. He said he could get more copies for anyone who wanted it.

Mr. Nicholl said it hasn't been edited. Maps are black and white but next week maps will be in color (most are done now but because there are so many he didn't get them all printed).

Mr. Hann said the main thing to remember here is that this is a draft, take it back to your group and discuss it, then put your comments in writing to Sean Dolter and cc to Bruce Nicholl.

Mr. Arnold said they are still waiting to get something from Tourism.

Mr. Chaisson said Ms. Rendell will be submitting something.

Mr. Nicholl said he has to edit it but people will have the original "unedited" copy available to them.

Mr. Jennings asked if editing was to reduce it – Mr. Nicholl said yes but not to reduce the content.

Mr. Jennings said the Outfitters kept things general and this is what they would like to see in other Strategy Documents in the Province.

Item 7. **Presentation at 7:22 p.m. – Mayor Norm Osmond**

Mr. Osmond gave some background about himself and explained his interest in the forest industry and concerns

- Presentation – Economic Benefits of Forest Operations in Forest Management District 16 to Regional Communities (copy attached Appendix 2)
- Mr. Osmond asked if there were any questions after presentation.
- Mr. Walsh asked Mr. Osmond if he had any figures on number of jobs lost in District 16 because of the reduced AAC? Mr. Osmond said no.
- Mr. Jennings asked if actual sawlogs would come from Main River? Mr. Osmond said yes – they are now in fact.
- Mr. Jennings said that isn't well known (to the public) and it is an interesting item.
- Mr. Osmond said that the sawmill has saved Hampden. Mr. Jennings asked if any plans to expand? Mr. Osmond said yes. He said not only people from Hampden but also other communities work at the mill. Mr. Walsh said that the

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paper companies are going off-shore to get wood and in the meantime the wood is falling down. Mr. Osmond said he flew over the area (Main River) and saw wood falling down – over-mature wood.

Break at 8:00 p.m.

Item 8. **Mr. Hann resumed the meeting at 8:17 p.m.**

Item 9. **Overview CBPP Ltd. Five Year Operating Plan – Matt Churchill**

Mr. Churchill said what they did tonight is very preliminary. He said next meeting they will have a map for everyone. Tonight just one on the wall. Mr. Churchill said what he has tonight is an overview of current 5 Year Plan because AAC is still not determined for next 5 years.

(copy attached – Appendix 3)

He said what we can expect for the next 5 years is similar to last 5 Year Plan – an AAC of 225,000 (over 5 years). Most will come from Upper Humber/Main River. He will give more details and maps next meeting. He said they will show all operating areas and roads in 2 weeks time.

Mr. Flemming asked if the scale of the next map at the next meeting will be the same as on the wall tonight? (1:175,000)

Mr. Churchill said yes but they could bring some 1:50,000 maps of the area.

Mr. Bouzane asked about the roads and whether their roads are decommissioned.

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Mr. Churchill said no – these are their primary roads and they don't decommission roads typically, unless a special case.

Mr. Rose asked what decommission means?

Mr. Churchill said that it means to put soil back and plant. For example, in the Stewardship area they will do this.

Mr. Moore asked about old bridges and culverts. Mr. Churchill said in some cases they will replace or remove if not using.

Mr. Jennings asked if the Heritage River is thrown out, will the timber in discussion come back on the table?

Mr. Churchill said that he wants to think that the Stewardship area will go ahead. It will benefit everyone.

Mr. Jennings asked if the view scape modified harvest (around the outfitters camp) will still go ahead.

Mr. Churchill said it looks like it will.

Mr. Churchill said that they will put into the Stewardship area and then discuss how harvesting will be approached.

Mr. Flemming said that the Stewardship area will not address Marten needs.

Mr. Churchill said they don't know that. The Wildlife Division hasn't informed them of so. Currently doing a study in Main River.

Mr. Flemming said that what if it is discovered that the Marten requirements are found to be different, how can this group respond quickly?

Mr. Churchill said the Wildlife Division has to come up with the Guidelines and they will follow them.

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Mr. Flemming said he just wanted to know the process this group would go through if "the guidelines" changed?

Mr. Churchill said they would have to look at the guidelines and see what implications they would have (one: their wood supply).

Mr. Hann asked Mr. Flemming if he got his answer?

Mr. Flemming said he heard that there isn't anything this group could do.

Mr. Jennings asked if Mr. Flemming had any new knowledge ("Knew something the rest of us don't know ")?

Mr. Flemming said no.

Mr. Flemming said his concern was that if new knowledge came up we can't respond.

Mr. Len Moores said that if there was new knowledge then because this is an endangered species we would have to revisit things.

Mr. Churchill said it would have to be tested.

Mr. Flemming said that if you do a test to determine whether Marten will persist with a cut regime and then find out that Marten persist and these Marten are shared with the Park then the Park has lost its ecological integrity. He said this is a concern of the Park and the reason why the Park is established.

Mr. Len Moores said we have to be ready to respond to any changes in prescriptions.

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Mr. Knott got up and explained his map on the wall. They will continue in Cat Arm, Main River, Snowy Lake. Up-grade old road system in south end of Main River; harvest an area out on Clamp Pond Road, as well as some P.C.T. areas.

Cutting in Hampden Road (spring areas). Also a harvest area by Boot Brook, Canoe Brook and Mary Ann. Big area by Reidville. In Sheffield – Birchy Narrows, Chain Lake Road, Hinds Lake and area near Cormack.

Mr. Hann said we want to clarify; in 2 weeks will we have a map each showing the 12 or so harvesting areas, roads, etc...

Mr. Knott said yes. Mr. Churchill said they will aim for 2 weeks time.

Mr. Hann asked Mr. Brain if Abitibi would present their 5 Year Plan next meeting?

Mr. Brain said they will aim to. Mr. Hann said he will put him on the agenda. Mr. Brain said okay.

Mr. Hann asked about other items on the agenda?

Mr. Flemming asked about C&I and when there would be an opportunity to discuss (finalize) them?

Mr. Churchill said it was agreed to take time at the beginning of each meeting to discuss the Strategy Document.

Mr. Flemming said he feels that there is no priority (or real strategy) of things in the document.

Mr. Brain said he had to agree. For example the Outfitters section had– no way to address these concerns. This information should be in an appendix and how to deal with them in the text.

Mr. Flemming said that there is no theme on how the team will address outfitting. The approach now is bit by bit, putting circles on maps. There are no goals or objectives and he can't see how it can be done this way.

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Mr. Chaisson said at this point, it is null and void because nobody has had a chance to digest the document.

Mr. Flemming suggested a workshop to prioritize things.

Mr. Hann said that was discussed, but it was delayed because we didn't get to that stage.

Mr. Hann asked about how the team felt about having a workshop? The team agreed but felt there should be some planning. Mr. Hann said it would probably be a Saturday and that it will be on the agenda as to how to proceed next meeting.

Item 10. **Next meeting March 21, 2001**

- 5 Year Plan CBP&P
- 5Year Plan (overview) Abitibi
- Discussion on workshop session to set priorities for Strategy Document

Item 11. **Meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.**

Management District 16 Planning Team Attendance

Meeting # 12

March 7, 2001

Start

Bruce Nicholl	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
George VanDusen	CBP&P
Len Moores	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Matt Churchill	CBP&P
Faron Knott	CBP&P
Donald Brain	Abitibi Consolidated
Milton Crewe	Dept. of Environment
Leah Soper	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Norm Osmond	Mayor Town of Hampden
Tony Bouzane	D.F.O
Jim Walsh	U B C
Kenneth Randell	Loggers Hampden
Dan Chaisson	Dept. of Tourism, Culture and Recreation
Dave Jennings	Nfld. & Labrador Outfitters Assoc.
Paul Arnold	WNMF
Chris Callahan	WNMF
Stephen Flemming	Gros Morne National Park
David Nicholl	Sop's Arm LSD
Eli Bishop	Pollard's Point WBS Dev. Assoc.
Henry Ralph	Pollard's Point CEP Local 60
Darren Moore	Crown Lands
Don Pittman	Rocky Harbor
Bruce Coombs	CBP&P
Gary Gale	Hampden

Start

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DISTRICT 16

PLANNING TEAM MEETING #13

HAMPDEN

MARCH 21, 2001

Item 1. **Call to order and introduction.**

Mr. Hann called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item 2. **Approved the agenda.**

Mr. Hann asked if agenda was okay.

Item 3. **Adopting the minutes.**

Okay

Item 4. **Business arising.**

None

Item 5. Correspondence.

Mr. Nicholl read a letter from CBP&P Ltd. regarding stopping Clear Cutting in Main River. They stated they would be looking at alternate harvesting regimes and consulting scientists.

Mr. Nicholl said he received the letter via Craig Renoff of Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods today.

Mr. Nicholl also received a press release from CBC and he asked whether this was a violation of the ground rules (if this information came from members of the planning team.)

Mr. Hann said there wasn't much there (to be alarmed about)

Mr. Brain asked if we could get a copy of the transcript.

Mr. Churchill said he has an electronic copy and would make it available to Ms. Soper to distribute.

Mr. Eli Bishop and David Nicholl said they talked to Heidi with CBC. Mr. Bishop said he felt his comments were neutral.

Mr. Knott said the spin they put on it (CBC) was that people were frustrated with the process.

Mr. Osmond said he was surprised that they (CBC) were saying the process was stalled and that isn't the case.

Item 6. Mr. Hann said at the last meeting there was a discussion about having a day to go through strategy.

Mr. Flemming said he felt that there was no priority of things. He commended CBPP on their decision but he said there are many ways to "selective cut" and we need an open process to identify the priorities. He said that we need a session and once we have a strategy and priorities, then we can say whether one harvesting option or another would work best.

Mr. Dolter said that a number of things need to be done. First need to thin out the document. Maybe put things in appendices and work more on guiding principles.

Mr. Nicholl said a workshop could do this.

Mr. Dolter said the strategy document is a hard read and it is not transferable to other areas of province.

Mr. Brain asked who will write it? Mr. Dolter said Mr. Nicholl will. They are providing a service, as long as it is transferable.

Mr. Nicholl said he still needs some sections.

Mr. Dolter said he received information from Tourism but not the Heritage Rivers Section.

Mr. Dolter said socio-economic section not addressed yet but there is money allocated to develop a strategy for this.

Item 7. **Workshop**

Mr. Nicholl said he would prefer not a weekend.

Mr. Hann asked who is interested?

Mr. Osmond said it would have to be Saturday for him.

Mr. Hann asked the rest of the team and the others said they prefer a workday. Mr.

Hann asked if we could set a date?

Friday. April 20th 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Venue – at the school, (it is Easter Break)

Notice will go out to planning team.

Mr. Dolter suggested the day be broke up into elements and have someone to chair each section.

Mr. Nicholl and Mr. Dolter will coordinate this workshop.

Item 8. **Abitibi – Overview 5 Year Plan**

Don Brain gave his presentation at 7:30 p.m.

Eli Sheppard presented Abitibi's 5 Year Plan (2002–2006) for District 16 Overview.

Mr. Gale asked if this included Heli–logging? Mr. Sheppard not for them.

Mr. Sheppard said the Heli–logging was done by the crown on their limits but it was not AAC wood (wood not included in the AAC calculation form them). Areas they will be operating in are :

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Proposed Areas:

Alternate Areas:

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Saltwater Pond Area Doucers Brook Area
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Falls Brook Area Sheffield Lake

Jacksons Arm Ridge Area

Ansteys Pond Area

Mr. Sheppard discussed buffer zones and Maarten Habitat Areas to be left.

Mr. Dolter suggested that Mr. Sheppard provide committee with criteria used to designate Marten Habitat areas.

Mr. Brain said if there is any concerns associated with these areas to bring them forward.

8:25 p.m. Mr. Hann called a break.

Mr. Nicholl handed out colored maps for the strategy document, during the break, for the group.

8:40 p.m. Meeting resumed.

Mr. Churchill gave his presentation. Part 2 of their presentation last meeting. (Overview of CBPPL's 5 Year plan).

Mr. Churchill said a color map (1: 175,000) or scale 1 cm = 3.5 km has been handed out to everyone during the break. He presented the harvest plan for next 5 Years. He also discussed roads for next 5 years and silviculture treatments (planting & PCT).

Mr. Churchill explained maps on the wall. Map 1 – showing proposed Stewardship Area and Marten Habitat Areas.

Map 2 – Operating areas

Map3 – Landscape design area .

He said that CBPPL has decided on a modified harvest strategy for Main River Watershed.

Mr. Knott explained operating areas. He explained on map 2 they have incorporate past cutting (except last summers cut and 2001 annual work schedule not shown).

Mr. Knott explained an exchange agreement with Crown for Kitty's Brook. Mr. Nicholl will show the areas in his 5 Year Plan.

Mr. Roberts pointed out that there are concerns about pine (which have been identified in the a strategy document in the Kitty's Brook area.).

Mr. Flemming asked about the announcement today but no mention of a reduced volume. How can they do this?

Mr. Knott said they plan to cut the AAC in District 16 over next 5 years so if they leave it in Main River then they have to get it elsewhere in District 16.

Mr. Tompkins said it is preliminary (the idea of a modified harvest strategy).

Mr. Gale asked about a copy of Mr. Thompkins presentation.

Mr. Churchill said they would e-mail to L. Soper.

Mr. Dolter asked if they has a time table for this? Mr. Thompkins said no. It will be an on-going process.

Mr. Flemming said the presentation was excellent and he commended CBPP on this approach.

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Mr. Gale asked about consultation on this?

Mr. Tompkins said it will be through this group but initially it will be with scientists.

He said the first step is to develop some experimental strategies and work towards this.

Mr. Flemming said it shouldn't be difficult to get the working groups together and that it shouldn't be a problem to have members of planning team to sit in on.

Next meeting set for April 11th .

Mr. Hann said at the next meeting we will put up areas of CBPPL and Abitibi on the wall and then go through them area by area and identify any concerns or check off areas.

Mr. Churchill said people should use the next few weeks to go through the areas and identify areas.

Mr. Brain said he could get maps out to the team.

Mr. Nicholl said Mr. Brain could drop them off at Pasadena and they will get them out.

Mr. Hann said if people have concerns with areas they can contact Mr. Churchill or Don Brain or bring them to next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Start

MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 16

TEAM ATTENDANCE

MEETING #13

DATE: MARCH 21, 2001

Beryl Ricketts	Jacksons Arm Council
Patrick Tompkins	CBP&P
Norm Osmond	Town of Hampden
Faron Knott	CBP&P
Matt Churchill	CBP&P
Leah Soper	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Don Brain	Abitibi Consolidated
Walter Wells	Welco Ventures Ltd.
Darren Moore	Crown Lands
Bruce Nicholl	Dept. of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Donald Rice	Hampden
Don Pittman	Rocky Harbour
Eli Bishop	Pollard's Point WBSDA
David Nicholl	Sop's Arm Ltd.
Anthony Alexander	Cormack
Stephen Flemming	Gros Morne National Park
Eli Sheppard	Abitibi Consolidated
Bruce A. Roberts	Canadian Forest Service
Milt Crewe	Dept. of Environment

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Paul Barnable	Dept. of Environment
Ron Burton	Fisheries & Oceans
Sean Dolter	Model Forest
Gary Gale	Main River Econ.

Start

DISTRICT 16 PLANNING TEAM

MEETING # 14 – HAMPDEN

APRIL 11, 2001

Item 1. **Call to Order and Introduction.**

Mr. Hann called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Item 2. **Approve the Agenda.**

O.K.

Item 3. **Review the Minutes.**

O.K.

Item 4. **Business Arising.**

Nil

Item 5. **Correspondence.**

Request from Henry Ralph to receive minutes. He will be put on the mailing list.

Item 6. **Update on Workshop April 20th.**

Tentative agenda was discussed at last meeting and is now agreed upon.

Sean Dolter, Paul Arnold are coordinating this now.

Mr. Arnold said if anyone wants anything added, let him know. Agenda will be out by next Monday. Notice of it was in last minutes.

Mr. Brain said if everyone didn't make the workshop we should have another meeting on how things will be monitored. Mr. Hann said yes, this would be a good idea.

Item 7. **Update on Status of Strategic Document.**

Mr. Hann asked if all the missing sections have been received? Mr. Nicholl said yes, except recreation.

Mr. Brain asked who would do it?

Mr. Nicholl said probably internally, but he isn't sure.

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Mr. Arnold said it is on the Agenda for the workshop so it can be discussed then.

Mr. Nicholl said it should be a concise presentation of the values

Mr. Anderson asked if he knew which sections had to be reduced.

Mr. Nicholl said some sections are very long.

Mr. Smith asked if anything in there (document) about reforestation, road rehabilitation, etc ...

Mr. Nicholl said it should be in there. He said some things are in there – silviculture areas.

Mr. Smith said the time lines should be in there.

Mr. Nicholl said that part hasn't been discussed here yet. The only area which has been discussed is the stewardship area and the landscape design.

Mr. Brain pointed out that decommissioning roads is controversial. Some people don't want it. It depends on where the roads are.

Mr. Knott explained they don't decommission many roads.

Mr. Nicholl said for thinning they need to have roads open.

Mr. Brain said it should be addressed in some way in the document.

Item 8. **Specific Responses to Abitibi's 5 Year Plan.**

Mr. Brain said he sent to Bruce's office a map showing their limits and operating areas in District 16. If no concerns tonight, then they go to print on the 5 year plan.

Item 8. Mr. Nicholl said that there are only seven people here tonight mostly DFRA and Company people, so it could be a problem, to finalize Abitibi's operating plans.

Mr. Brain said it was sent out to everyone and they have had an opportunity to comment. Mr. Brain said there was some concern about harvesting on sleep-slope brooks. He discussed with Leon King and there is a formula they will apply and this will be in their certificate of managed land.

Mr. Hann said he understood Mr. Nicholl's concern but a letter and map has been sent out.

Mr. Brain read the letter sent out but he said that he is still open if anyone wants to comment but this has to be in June.

Mr. Walsh asked about AAC?

Mr. Brain said it is not announced by DFRA yet. He is hoping it will be done by May.

Mr. Nicholl said that the minutes should reflect only one concern brought forward but if there are any more concerns they should be brought forward soon.

Item 9. **Specific Response to CBPPL's 5 Year Plan.**

Mr. Knott asked people to comment on map he gave out and that if anyone had concerns and needed more maps contact him. He said he did add a new area since the last map so he has printed more maps. He handed them out.

Start

Mr. Sutton asked about the modified harvest policy and if it would be implemented this summer?

Mr. Knott said yes. Mr. Knott gave Jeff Anderson a larger scale map and had some copies for others who wanted it. Mr. Knott explained new area – Snowy Lake and put out maps on the wall.

Item 10. **Break at 7:42 p.m. Meeting Resumed at 7:55 p.m.**

Mr. Hann said the maps are on the wall so how will we deal with them?

Mr. Knott said everyone has a map before him so if any concerns then we can look at the wall map.

Item 11. **By not Clear Cutting in the Main River Water Shed , how will this impact the AAC?**

Mr. Walsh asked will the AAC be reduced by modified cutting?

Mr. Tompkins said they aren't sure but he doesn't see a reduction in AAC for the management district.

Mr. Knott said they are going up this summer and will be trying some things.

Mr. Smith asked if any experience with this?

Mr. Knott said not a lot.

Mr. Tompkins said it has been done elsewhere and they are consulting with scientists now.

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Mr. Brain said his company did a similar thing in an even aged forest in another model forest in Canada and it worked well. Mr. Brain said the challenge is to bring in equipment and extract the wood without damaging the structure of the forest.

Mr. Smith asked about consideration of winds so wood left doesn't blow down.

Mr. Tompkins said they will probably do different things at different sites. Mr. Tompkins said they will be hiring an ecologist by late May. He said this person will be consulting with academics, Parks Canada, etc...

Mr. Nicholl said perhaps people can walk around and look at maps.

Mr. Anderson said that the problem with looking at the maps is we don't know how much timber is there and what way it will be cut.

Mr. Knott said they have a draft of volumes for the operating areas. Mr. Knott said he assumed 200,000 m³ per year. One million cubic metres over 5 years.

Mr. Smith said he had no understanding of these areas on the maps. Could he take an area and explain?

Mr. Knott said Camp 172 everyone is familiar with it. Everyone stood around the map and Mr. Knott answered their questions.

Mr. Smith asked Mr. Knott to explain how they can get the same volume if they are not clear – cutting.

Item 11. Mr. Knott said it will be cut over time.

Mr. Nicholl said the way he sees it, they will have to go over a larger area but it will be over a longer time, almost continuous cutting and roads will never be decommissioned.

Start

Members of the team said they don't understand given that the AAC won't change.

Mr. Sutton said the AAC has to be sustainable and AAC's may have to be revisited.

Mr. Smith said he is concerned that they will be messing with (disturbing) a larger area over a shorter time.

Mr. Knott said potentially yes – going over a larger area.

Mr. Hann said he wanted to review where we are. We have a draft document and will be having a workshop to refine. He said Mr. Brain is going to write his draft plan and will present it. Mr. Hann asked Mr. Knott if he is at this stage also. He said the maps are out there and he asked Mr. Nicholl how long will we give people.

Mr. Nicholl said the next meeting should be the last chance to get comments in. After that CBPPL should be able to put together their draft plan.

Mr. Anderson said the park has been clear about their concerns about marten but right now he doesn't know if after 5 years marten can still persist on the landscape and he doesn't feel he has the level of detail to know if they can exist. He said how can we be assured that the habitat will be left.

Mr. Knott said they will have to learn as they go along.

Mr. Anderson said he can appreciate the companies approach and that's good. It said it will involve risk management to try things. He wants some confidence that the risks won't be too great.

Mr. Tompkins said they see going down a road and if we see that it is impacting marten then "put the brakes on" and try another approach.

Mr. Knott said we are forgetting the area (ACRW) for marten which will be left along with the stewardship area, and the control area that will be left while the harvesting is going on which will provide for wildlife.

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Mr. Brain explained Districts such as 9, 12, and 13 where harvesting has taken place in some cases twice and yet marten are still there.

Item 11. Mr. Anderson said a lot of people feel Parks Canada should be strong environmentally but he feels that he wants to be at the table and walk away and feel that marten has been taken care of.

Mr. Hann said wouldn't it be covered if at the workshop this is identified as a priority and marten is then monitored.

Mr. Smith said he wanted some reassurance that logging will stop if it is found out that marten populations drop.

Mr. Hann explained the monitoring committee can make a recommendation that harvesting stop in an area if impacting marten but this group can't act to stop it. That would be a decision made legislatively or politically. We don't have this power in this group.

Mr. Brain said that if anyone has concerns with wildlife he wants to hear them.

Mr. Hann asked about items for agenda for next meeting.

Mr. Brain said his time frame is end of May for his plan.

Item 12. **The Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

DISTRICT 16 PLANNING TEAM

MEETING #14 – HAMPDEN

Start

DATE:

APRIL 11, 2001

Bruce Nicholl	Department of Forest Resouces & Agrifoods
Patrick Tompkins	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Kevin Sutton	Department of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Faron Knott	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Donald Brain	Abitibi Consolidated
Leah Soper	Department of Forest Resources & Agrifoods
Paul Rose	Hampden Town
Bruce Armstrong	Corner Brook Pulp & Paper
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. 579
Don Rice	Hampden
Jeff Anderson	Parks Canada
Paul Arnold	West Nfld. Model Forest
David Nicholl	Sop's Arm LSD
Randy A.	Smith Sop's Arm Concerned Citizen

Start

District 16 Planning Team

Meeting # 15

Hampden Academy, Hampden

Wednesday, April 25, 2001

Item 1. **Call to Order and Introductions**

7:01p.m. Mr. Hann called meeting to order.

Everyone introduced themselves.

Item 2. **Approve Agenda**

Copy of agenda for meeting.

Discussed agenda. Okayed.

Item 3. **Minutes**

Mr. Hann mentioned the fact that there were only 7 people outside government and major interest groups that attended the last meeting.

Item 4. **Business Arising**

Nil

Item 5. **Correspondence**

Mr. Sheppard mentioned that he didn't receive a copy of the minutes from previous meeting.

Bruce Nicholl responded and would correct the problem.

Mr. Nicholl read a letter sent to Philip Osmond (Conservation Officer) from town council of Hampden regarding domestic cutting in and around town boundaries.

Item 6. **Report on Guiding Principles Workshop**

7:08 p.m. Report given on guiding principles.

Mr. Nicholl noted that changes were made. Clarified some things.

Item 7. **Update on Status of Strategic Document**

Mr. Nicholl said that Shawn Dolter would incorporate the values into the strategic document.

Third week in May the final draft should be ready for distribution (May 16, 2001).

The five year plan should also be ready at this time.

Item 8. **Another Opportunity for response (area by area) to Abitibi Consolidated Five Year Operational Plan for District 16**

7:14 p.m. Steve Flemming addressed the fact of leaving areas for marten habitat.

Mr. Sheppard responded to this issue.

Mr. Flemming asked if something could be done to compliment the leaving of unharvested areas?

Mr. Sheppard basically said that right now plans are just to leave uncut areas.

Mr. Flemming said that more broad planning needs to be done for possible future marten populations.

Mr. Sheppard addressed the fact that they were leaving areas in District 16 where there were low populations (Lloyd Lake).

Mr. Churchill discussed the fact that they had worked in the past with wildlife to leave areas for marten habitat for a 5 – 10 year period. He mentioned his discussions with Joe Brazil on corridors and habitats being left for marten. CBP&P have made measures to assist Pine Marten populations.

Randy Smith asked if there have been areas already set aside for Pine Marten habitat in the Main River area?

Mr. Churchill responded

Mr. Flemming said he would get experts point of view on these areas.

Mr. Hann again asked for any response on the plan.

Randy Smith asked Matt Churchill about the type of harvesting method being considered for the Main River area.

7:32 p.m. Mr. Hann again asked for any other comments on 5 year operational plans.

Item 11. **Report on Recent Conference, Parks Canada**

7:34 p.m. Jeff Anderson presented a report on concerns from Gros Morne.

Stephen Flemming discussed what the report was about:

Pine Marten.

Woodland Caribou.

Forest Songbirds (Passerine birds).

Forest Disturbance (fire, insects, wind).

Mandate to maintain ecological integrity of the park.

Asked experts about the four main topics.

Marten

Advice of Nfld. Pine Marten.

When you have a small population of martens that are isolated, if you take away too much habitat there will be a drastic decline in populations.

Caribou

If you have a herd of caribou that doesn't move around much, some factors such as snowmobiles, highway traffic, etc... may have impact on caribou populations.

Songbirds

Each species of bird has a different ecological function.

Greater than 30% of merchantable timber should be left.

Forest Disturbance

Should try and mimic natural disturbance patterns.

Variety of harvesting techniques should be used. Large clear cuts should be avoided.

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Mr. Churchill addressed the fact that the natural disturbance considered should have been over a longer period of time. Ten years is not a long enough period.

Bruce Coombs said that the reason for the large clear cuts in figure 9 is because of the amount of wind disturbance in that area at the time.

Faron Knott questioned the 30% of merchantable timber being left for songbirds.

Discussion went back to percentage of areas being left for all species (birds, marten, caribou).

A different kind of management structure is needed other than just leaving unharvested areas. (Harvesting methods)

Mr. Churchill discussed the healthy population of Pine Marten in the Main River area. His discussions with Joe Brazil indicate 30 healthy females in the area.

Mr. Sheppard asked about the snaring in the Main River area.

Mr. Churchill said that snaring in the area was not permitted.

Darren Moore asked if any experts had given a presentation on the Pine Marten and their populations (numbers, health, etc...).

Mr. Flemming said that someone other than government should also have input. Sometimes it is good to get a bigger picture. Louie Belanger was a person recommended by Mr. Flemming.

Mr. Flemming said he would bring Mr. Belanger in. He would look after the costs.

Mr. Nicholl asked Mr. Flemming if he would make arrangements to bring Mr. Belanger for a meeting.

Start

If Mr. Belanger is unavailable another individual may be obtained.

Faron Knott suggested that they bring in Brian Hearn.

Mr. Flemming said that Mr. Hearn's information may be similar to Joe Brazil's.

Mr. Hann said that arrangements should be made to bring in the necessary people.

8:10 p.m. **Break**

Item 12. **Introduction : Crown Five Year Operational Plan for District 16**

(8:26p.m.)

Mr. Nicholl explained some computer difficulties with obtaining maps for the meeting.

Maps will be mailed out by early next week.

Mr. Hann went over deadlines for:

- . Strategic document
- . Abitibi 5 Year Plan next meeting
- . CBP&P 5 Year Plan next meeting
- . Maps for 5 Year Crown Operating plan will be mailed out next week.

Item 13. **Agenda for Next Meeting**

Arrangements will be made to try and get Pine Marten people for next meeting.

Next meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, May 16, 2001.

Item 14. **Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.**

District 16 Planning Team Attendance

Meeting #15

Wednesday, April 25, 2001

Bruce Nicholl	Nfld. Forest Service
Bill Park	
Henry Ralph	CEP 60
Darren Moore	Crown Lands
Faron Lidstone	Nfld. Forest Service
Eli Sheppard	Abitibi Consolidated
Stephen Flemming	Parks Canada
Jeff Anderson	Parks Canada
Bruce Coombs	CBPP
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. 579

Ron Burton	D.F.O.
Kenneth Randell	Loggers
Beryl Ricketts	Jackson's Arm Town Council
Patrick Tompkins	CBPP
Milt Crewe	Dept. of Environment
Matt Churchill	CBPP
Faron Knott	CBPP
Adrian Walsh	SAFARI Main River
Margueretta Walsh	SAFARI Main River
Randy A. Smith	Concern Citizen Sop's Arm
Fred Osmond	Hampden
Gary Mal	Hampden

Start

DISTRICT 16

PLANNING TEAM MEETING # 16

HAMPDEN – HAMPDEN ACADEMY

MAY 23, 2001

Item 1.

7:09 p.m.

Mr. Hann called meeting to order.

All in attendance identified themselves.

Item 2.

7:11 p.m. Discussed agenda for the meeting.

Item 3.

Reviewed minutes from last meeting.

– Mr. Hann asked if there was any errors or omissions.

- No response.

Item 4. Correspondence.

- Letter from Nfld. & Labrador Outfitters Association looking for some information on meetings.
- Mr. Hann asked that everyone sign the attendance list.

Item 5. Crown 5 Year Operating Plan

- Mr. Hann asked Mr. Nicholl about the Crown 5 Year Operating Plan.
- Mr. Nicholl sent out the plan and said there was some interest expressed concerning archeological sites.
- All that was in the plan was an overview and no specifics (volume, etc.).

Item 6. Strategic Document

- Mr. Nicholl said this is also in the makes. If anyone has a CD-ROM they will be able to view the document.
- Mr. Hann asked if there would be any hard copies available.

Start

- Mr. Nicholl said that the document should be mailed out next week.
- It won't be the finished version.
- A final edition will be available later.

Item 7. Abitibi Five Year Operating Plan

- Eli Sheppard said that they weren't ready yet.
- Probably won't be ready for another couple weeks.

Item 8. CBPP Five Year Plan

- Matt Churchill said that their plan was not ready yet but it is 90% complete.

Item 9. Presentation on Canadian Heritage River Status. (Main River)

7:23 p.m. Presentation made by Heather MacLellan (Dept. of Tourism)

- Proposal to the Canadian Heritage River Board for Main River Designation.
- Heather MacLellan sent around a sheet for anyone to sign who would like a copy of the plan.

- Mainly a river program.
- Conservation program (sustainable management).
- Public consultation and involvement.
- Provincial Consultations.

– **Guidelines:**

- General River Integrity
- Recreational Integrity
- Natural Integrity

– **Benefits of Designation:**

- Protect water quality
- Songbird protection
- Preserve habitat (Pine Martin)

- Preserve old growth forest

- **List of Recreational Values:**

- Snowmobiling

- Angling, etc...

- **Nomination Values and Agencies**

Responsible for protection. (Dept. of Forestry, C.B. P.&P., Abitibi, Canadian Wildlife Service, etc...)

- Planning Processes

- Management Regime

- Stewardship Agreement Highlights

- Approved by cabinet

- Cooperation from other provincial agencies.

- Protected Area Corridor

Start

- Public Support
- 150 written submissions to the plan
- Strong community based support
- 94% of Nfld. & Labrador support the Forest Industry
- Government of Nfld. & Labrador commitment to Wildlife Corridors 2000
- Old Growth Forest
- Heather MacLellan made copies of Heritage Values available for those in attendance.

7:49 p.m. Mr. Hann opened the floor for questioning.

- Mr. Manion asked what impact would this plan have on other agencies who are trying to do their job?
- Mr. Manion asked about modified harvesting. What does it mean?
- Heather MacLellan said that the harvest must take into consideration the heritage values.
- We must protect habitat, corridors, etc...
- Mr. Manion asked who would sit at the table and address modified harvesting?

Start

- Heather MacLellan said that all interest groups and there would be public consultation.
- Heather MacLellan showed a picture of some suggested harvesting (Main River Area) Olson and Olson.
- Mr. Smith had concerns about the harvested area "where was this cutting taken place?" (ie on the picture shown).
- Mr. Manion asked about road access and what would happen to these roads afterwards? Would they be removed? Hydro seeded, etc?
- Heather MacLellan said that a number of different options are being considered with as little impact as possible.
- Mr. Hann asked for any other comments.
- Mr. Smith asked about the width of the protected waterway.
- Mr. Flemming commented on the Stewardship Agreement. (Modified Harvest)
- Mr. Hann asked Heather MacLellan where is this Heritage River Status now?
- Heather MacLellan is anticipating a decision.
- Mr. Manion asked about existing camps on river?
- Heather MacLellan said that the existing camps will stay on the river.

Start

- Matt Churchill said that the stewardship program is included in their 5 Year Plan.
- Jeff Anderson asked how will this be incorporated into the District 16 Management Plan?
- Heather MacLellan responded on how it would be incorporated.

8:08 p.m. Break

Item 10.

8:28 p.m. Mr. Hann gave Joe Brazil the floor.

- Pine Marten Presentation and Discussion
- Joe Brazil gave a brief background on his work experience and expertise regarding the Marten.
- Discussed Marten presence in Newfoundland
 - Breeding
 - Feeding
 - Habitat Selection
 - Prediction on Marten
 - Accidental Mortality
 - Survival Rates

Start

- Marten are habitat specialists.
- History of Marten Distribution and Populations
- Current Marten Distribution (breeding animals in a sustainable population)
- Reasons for Marten population decline.
- Habitat destruction (Timer Harvesting)
- Accidental snaring/trapping
- Available prey base
- Discussed Marten work in the Main River area.
- Marten Habitat Management Guidelines.
- Population Assessment Approach.

9:21 p.m.

- Mr. Hann opened the floor for questioning.
- Eli Sheppard asked about the impact on snaring in the Red Indian Lake Area.
- Joe Brazil said that snaring does have an impact on Marten Populations especially in an area where they are trying to get established.
- Mr. Smith asked about the introduction of Marten to Main River How many?
- Lem Mayo said there were 14 introduced in the Main River Area.
- Don Wells asked about trapping history in different areas?

Start

- Don Wells also asked about genetics?
- Joe Brazil referred to the Salmonair Nature Park where breeding attempts are being made. Also about Marten taken from areas and introduced elsewhere.
- Don Wells asked about squirrels being a prey base.
- Joe Brazil said the squirrels weren't a prey.
- Bruce Coombs asked about why hasn't there been introductions on the eastern side of the Northern Peninsula?
- Joe Brazil referred to bait station work done in the Soufflett's River area without any success.
- Mr. Smith commented on the change in understanding of Marten habitat. Maybe the Marten are adapting?

9:39 p.m.

- Mr. Hann asked about time for next meeting.
- Bruce Nicholls will notify everyone regarding date and time of next meeting.

9:40 p.m.

Start

Meeting Adjourned.

Management District 16 Team Attendance

Meeting # 16

Date: May 23, 2001

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Rep.</u>	<u>Alt.</u>		
<u>Computer with CDROM</u>					
Bruce Nicholl	Nfld. Forest Service				
G e o r g e	V a n	D u s e n			
CBPP	X				
Lem Mayo	Nfld. Forest Service				
J o e B r a z i l				W i l d l i f e	
Division	X				
Gene Manion	Tourism & Wildlife		X		
Faron Lidstone	Nfld. Forest Service				
Faron Knott	CBPP				
X	X				
Beryl Ricketts	Town of Jackson Arm	X			
C o l i n D a v i s				P o l l a r d s	
Point	X				
Bruce A. Roberts					
X	X				
Matt Churchill		CBPP			
X	X				
B r u c e	C o o m b s				
CBPP	X				
Jim Walsh	U.B.C. Local				

Milt Crewe X X	Environment		
Darren Moore	Crown Lands	X	
Stephen Flemming	Gros Morne	X	X
Jeff Anderson X	Gros Morne	X	
C h r i s WNMF	C o l l a h a n X		
Paul Arnold X X	WNMF		
Eli Sheppard X X	Abitibi C		
Anthony Alexander	Cormack Council	X	
Don Wells	Welco Ventures	X	
Randy A. Smith	Concerned Citizen		
Eli Bishop	WBSDA	X	
David Nicholl	Sop's Arm LSD	X	
Adrian Walsh	Main River Safari	X	
Mary Walsh	Main River Safari	X	
Jim McCarthy	AMEC	X	
Gary Gale	Private Citizen	X	